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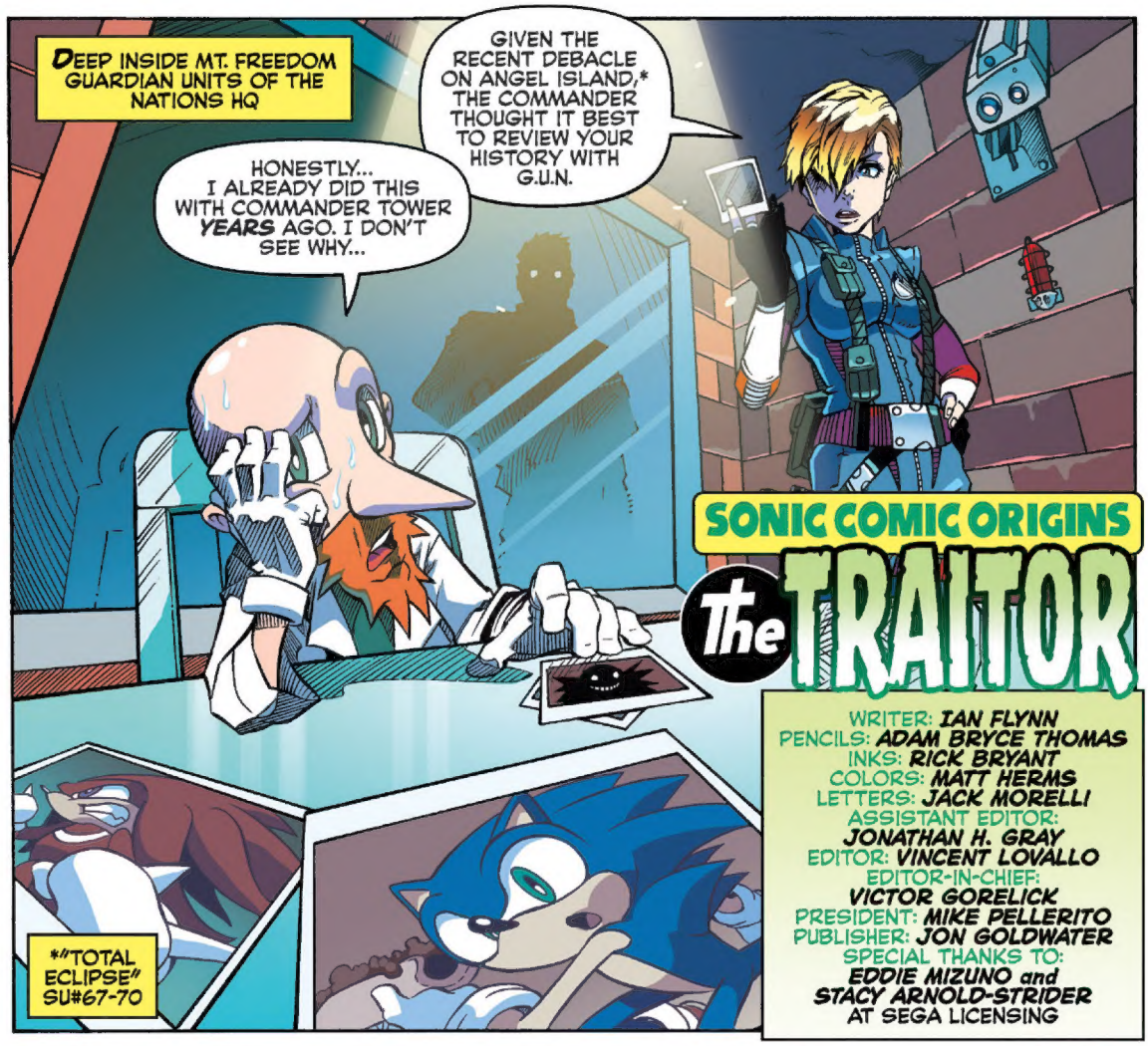

SONIC COMIC ORIGINS

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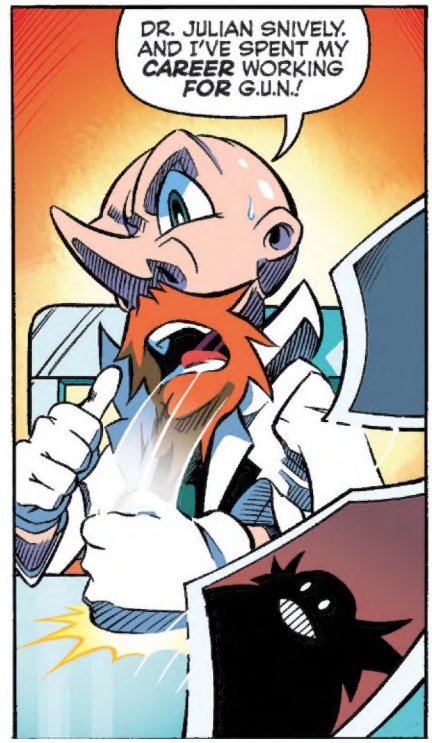
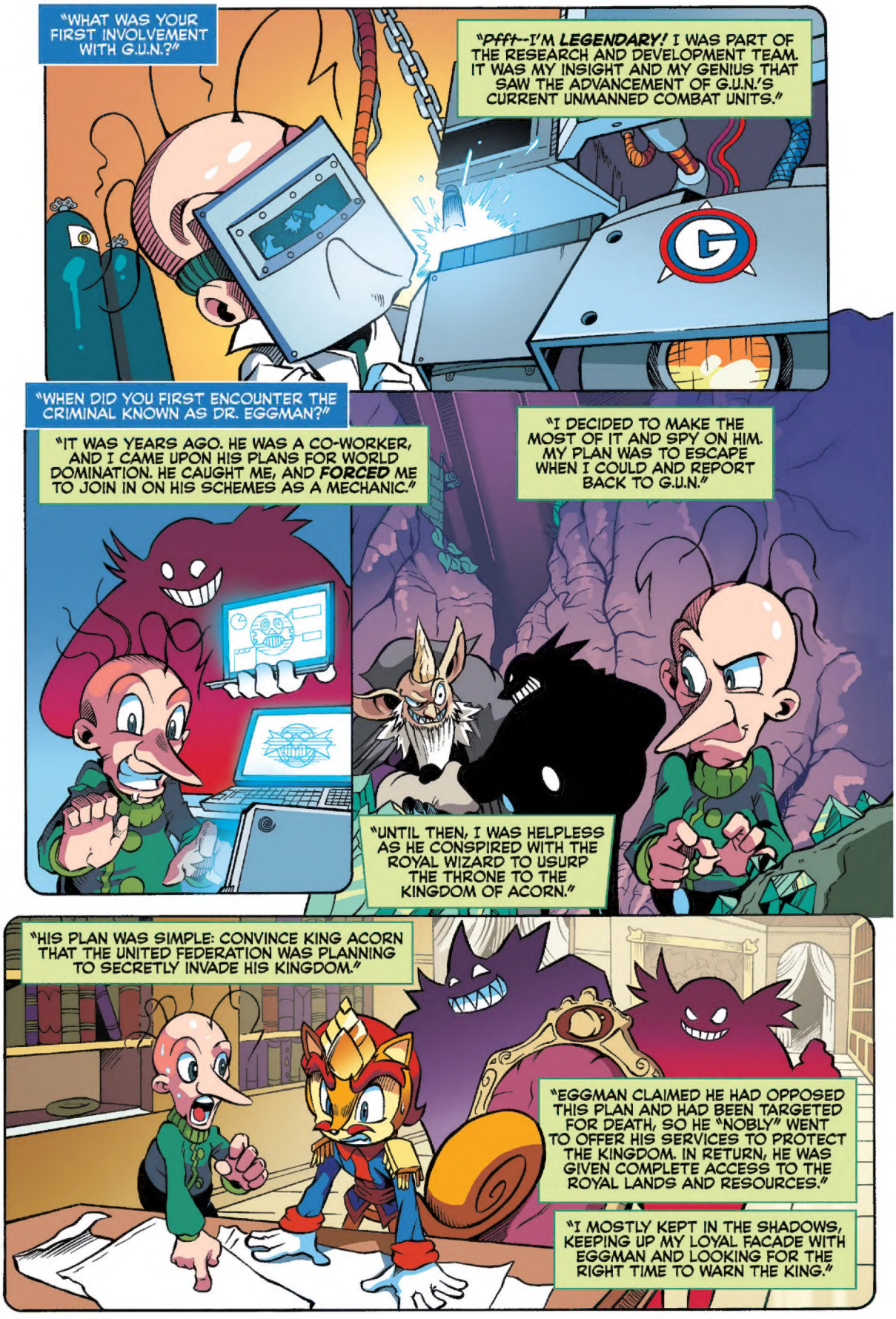
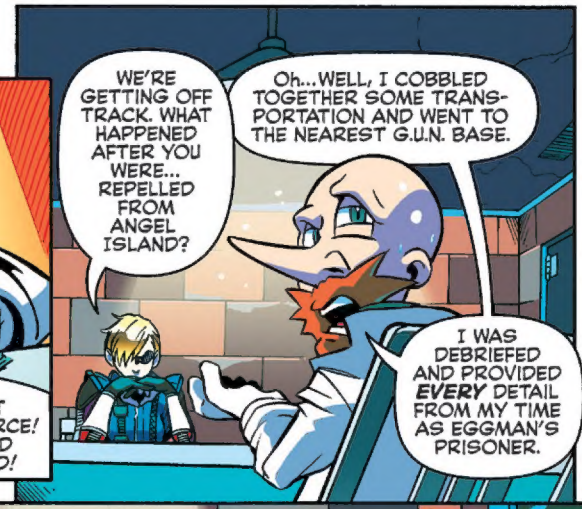


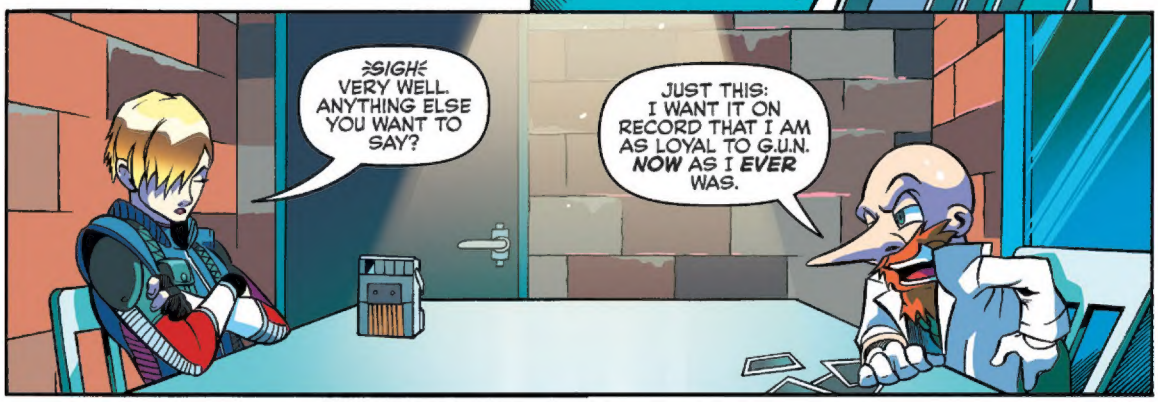

"WHAT WAS YOUR FIRST INVOLVEMENT WITH G.U.N.?"
"Pfft--I'M LEGENDARY! I WAS PART OF THE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT TEAM. IT WAS MY INSIGHT AND MY GENIUS THAT SAW THE ADVANCEMENT OF G.U.N.'S CURRENT UNMANNED COMBAT UNITS."
"WHEN DID YOU FIRST ENCOUNTER THE CRIMINAL KNOWN AS DR. EGGMAN?"
"IT WAS YEARS AGO. HE WAS A CO-WORKER, AND I CAME UPON HIS PLANS FOR WORLD DOMINATION. HE CAUGHT ME, AND FORCED ME TO JOIN IN ON HIS SCHEMES AS A MECHANIC."
"I DECIDED TO MAKE THE MOST OF IT AND SPY ON HIM. MY PLAN WAS TO ESCAPE WHEN I COULD AND REPORT BACK TO G.U.N."
"UNTIL THEN, I WAS HELPLESS AS HE CONSPIRED WITH THE ROYAL WIZARD TO USURP THE THRONE TO THE KINGDOM OF ACORN."
"HIS PLAN WAS SIMPLE: CONVINCE KING ACORN THAT THE UNITED FEDERATION WAS PLANNING TO SECRETLY INVADE HIS KINGDOM."
"EGGMAN CLAIMED HE HAD OPPOSED THIS PLAN AND HAD BEEN TARGETED FOR DEATH, SO HE "NOBLY" WENT TO OFFER HIS SERVICES TO PROTECT THE KINGDOM. IN RETURN, HE WAS GIVEN COMPLETE ACCESS TO THE ROYAL LANDS AND RESOURCES."
"I MOSTLY KEPT IN THE SHADOWS, KEEPING UP MY LOYAL FACADE WITH EGGMAN AND LOOKING FOR THE RIGHT TIME TO WARN THE KING."

"SO YOU WERE BETRAYING THE UNITED FEDERATION AND THE KINGDOM OF ACORN?"
"I WAS SPYING FOR BOTH WITH MY LIFE ON THE LINE!"
"Uh-huh. WHAT DID YOU DO WHILE YOU WERE OVER THERE?"
"GRRR...WE FOCUSED OUR CONSTRUCTION EFFORTS ON TWO OF THE KINGDOM'S ISLANDS. SOUTH ISLAND WOULD BE PRIMARILY STRIP-MINED AND PROCESSED, WHILE MAJOR CONSTRUCTION AND REFINEMENTS WOULD BE DONE ON WESTSIDE ISLAND."
"FOR WHAT PURPOSE?"
"ULTIMATELY, TO FIND THE CHAOS EMERALDS AND BUILD THE FLYING BATTLE STATION--THE DEATH EGG."
"NOBODY WAS SUSPICIOUS OF YOU?"
"OH, KING ACORN CAUGHT ON SOON ENOUGH, AND BY THEN THE WIZARD GREW IMPATIENT ANYWAY. SO DR. EGGMAN HAD THEM BOTH BANISHED TO THE SPECIAL ZONE."
"AND YOU DID NOTHING TO STOP IT?"
"SADLY, I WAS BUSY ELSEWHERE AT THE TIME. HOW WAS I SUPPOSED TO PREDICT THAT MADMAN'S ACTIONS?"

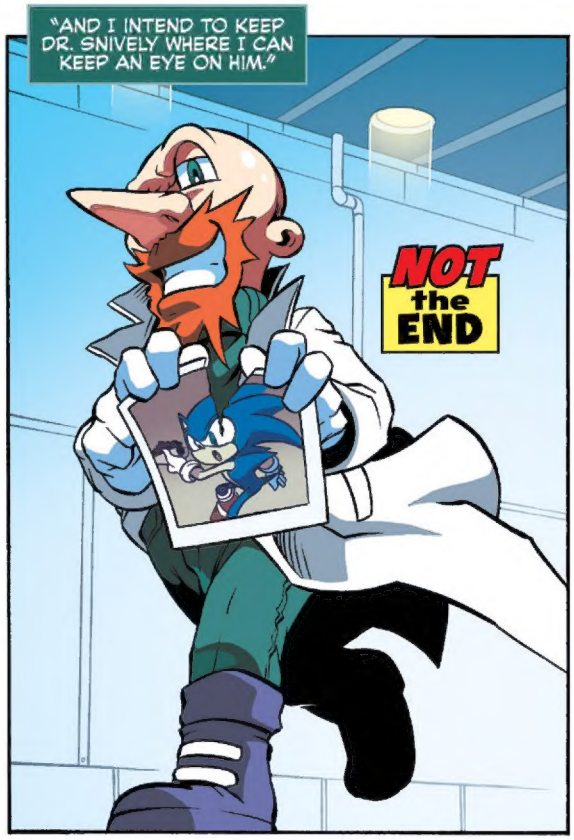
"WHAT HAPPENED AFTER THAT?"
"YOU KNOW DARN WELL WHAT HAPPENED. SONIC THE HEDGEHOG HAPPENED! HE DESTROYED THE OPERATIONS ON SOUTH ISLAND..."
"...AND INSPIRED A GROUP OF FREEDOM FIGHTERS TO BAND TOGETHER, RETAKE WESTSIDE ISLAND AND RESTORE KING ACORN TO POWER."
"AND--LONG STORY SHORT--SONIC SAW TO IT THE DEATH EGG WAS DESTROYED."
"WITH EGGMAN DEFEATED, WHY DIDN'T YOU RETURN HOME IMMEDIATELY?"
"I WANTED TO, BUT I HAD TO CONTAIN EGGMAN'S LEFTOVER FORCES ON ANGEL ISLAND AND KEEP THEM FROM TAKING THE MASTER EMERALD!"

BUT THEN I WAS CHASED OFF BY THAT IGNORANT SAVAGE KNUCKLES!
WHAT WAS TRUE THEN IS TRUE NOW: HE IS NOT SUFFICIENT SECURITY FOR SUCH AN IMPORTANT RESOURCE! I TRIED TO SECURE THE MASTER EMERALD FOR G.U.N. AND THE SAFETY OF THE WORLD!


WE'RE GETTING OFF TRACK. WHAT HAPPENED AFTER YOU WERE... REPELLED FROM ANGEL ISLAND?
Oh...WELL, I COBBLED TOGETHER SOME TRANSPORTATION AND WENT TO THE NEAREST G.U.N. BASE.
I WAS DEBRIEFED AND PROVIDED EVERY DETAIL FROM MY TIME AS EGGMAN'S PRISONER.


SIGH VERY WELL. ANYTHING ELSE YOU WANT TO SAY?
JUST THIS: I WANT IT ON RECORD THAT I AM AS LOYAL TO G.U.N. NOW AS I EVER WAS.

I'M SORRY, SIR. I TRIED TO CATCH HIM IN A LIE, BUT HIS STORY MATCHES HIS OLD DEPOSITION.
NOTHING TO APOLOGIZE FOR, AGENT GARNET. AS THEY SAY, "KEEP YOUR FRIENDS CLOSE, BUT YOUR ENEMIES CLOSER."


"AND I INTEND TO KEEP DR. SNIVELY WHERE I CAN KEEP AN EYE ON HIM."
NOT the END

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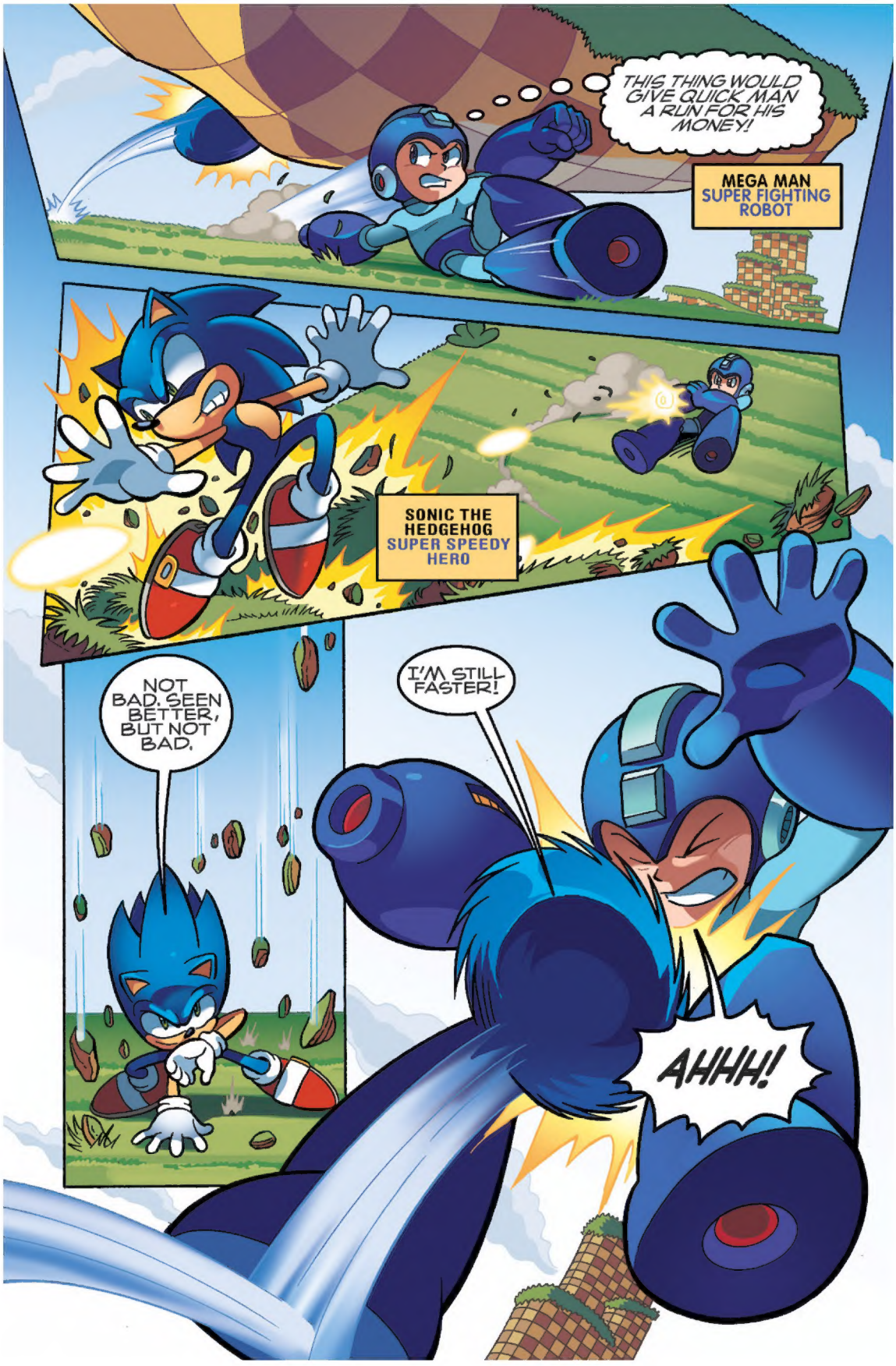
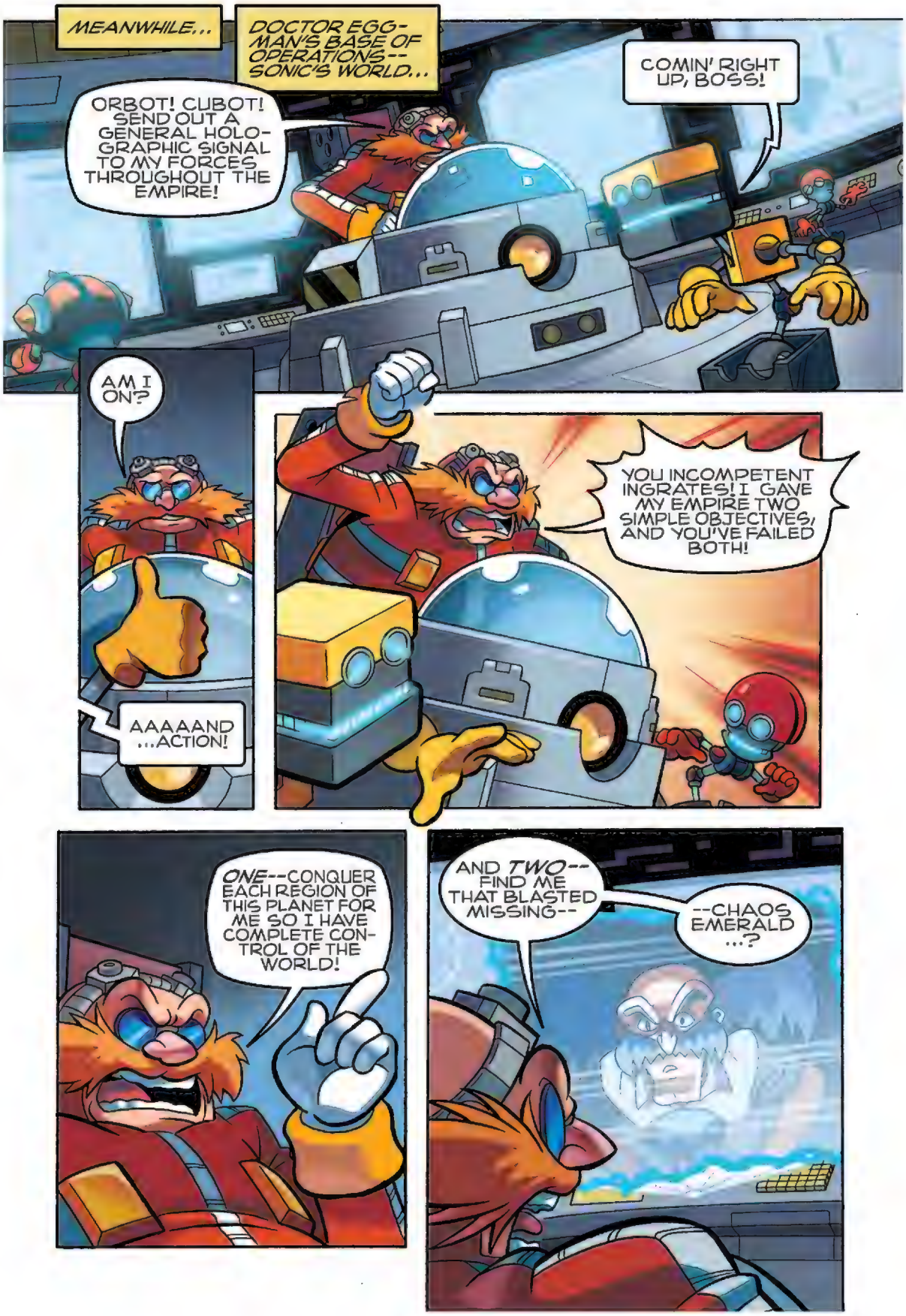

THIS THING WOULD GIVE QUICK MAN A RUN FOR HIS MONEY!
MEGA MAN
SUPER FIGHTING ROBOT
SONIC THE HEDGEHOG
SUPER SPEEDY HERO
NOT BAD. SEEN BETTER, BUT NOT BAD.
I'M STILL FASTER!
AHHH!

THIS GUY CAN TAKE A HIT!
ARE YOU RECEIVING THIS, MASTERS?
EVERY GLORIOUS SECOND, TAILS MAN...
...AND WE ARE LOVING IT!
MEGA BUSTER
SUPER AGILITY
TRANSMITTING...
THAT'S IT, HEDGEHOG! TURN HIM TO SCRAP!
GO, MEGA MAN, GO! EXTERMINATE THE RODENT!

CONGRATULATIONS ON A PLAN COMING TOGETHER SO WELL, DOCTOR!
DR. EGGMAN
EVIL GENIUS
IT'S ALL FALLING INTO PLACE BETTER THAN I DARED DREAM, DOCTOR!
DR. WILY
EVIL GENIUS
HERE'S TO OUR MINION'S MISSION BEING NEARLY COMPLETE!
CHAOS EMERALDS ACQUIRED
HERE-HERE!
QUITE SO! HERE'S TO OUR GLORIOUS BATTLE STATION!
HERE-HERE!
HERE'S TO THE BEST PARTNER-SHIP WE NEVER SAW COMING...
...AND TO THE MUTUAL DESTRUCTION OF OUR NEMESES!
KLINK
CHEERS!

DOCTOR WILY'S SECRET BASE, MEGA MAN'S WORLD...
WEEKS AGO...
DON'T TALK BACK TO ME, RA MOON! I SAID I WANTED A MET WITH A RICE-COOKER FUNCTION, SO MAKE IT HAPPEN!
DOCTOR WILY! I FOUND SOMETHING IN THE JUNGLE WHILE ON PATROL.
SWEET MOTHER OF EDISON! LOOK AT THE SIZE OF THAT SAPPHIRE!
SUCH POWER ...ALLOW ME TO PROCESS IT FOR YOU.
FORGET IT. WORK ON THAT RICE COOKER, AND WE'LL TALK!
ER... A SPECTRAL ANALYSIS SHOWS THAT IT'S BERYL, SIR.
FINE, SO IT'S AN AQUAMARINE OR WHAT-EVER. I'M NO GEOLOGIST.
RA MOON SAID IT POSSESSED SOME SORT OF POWER. LET'S SEE JUST WHAT THIS IS. A NEW ENERGY ELEMENT, PERHAPS? OR MAYBE A--
YOW!

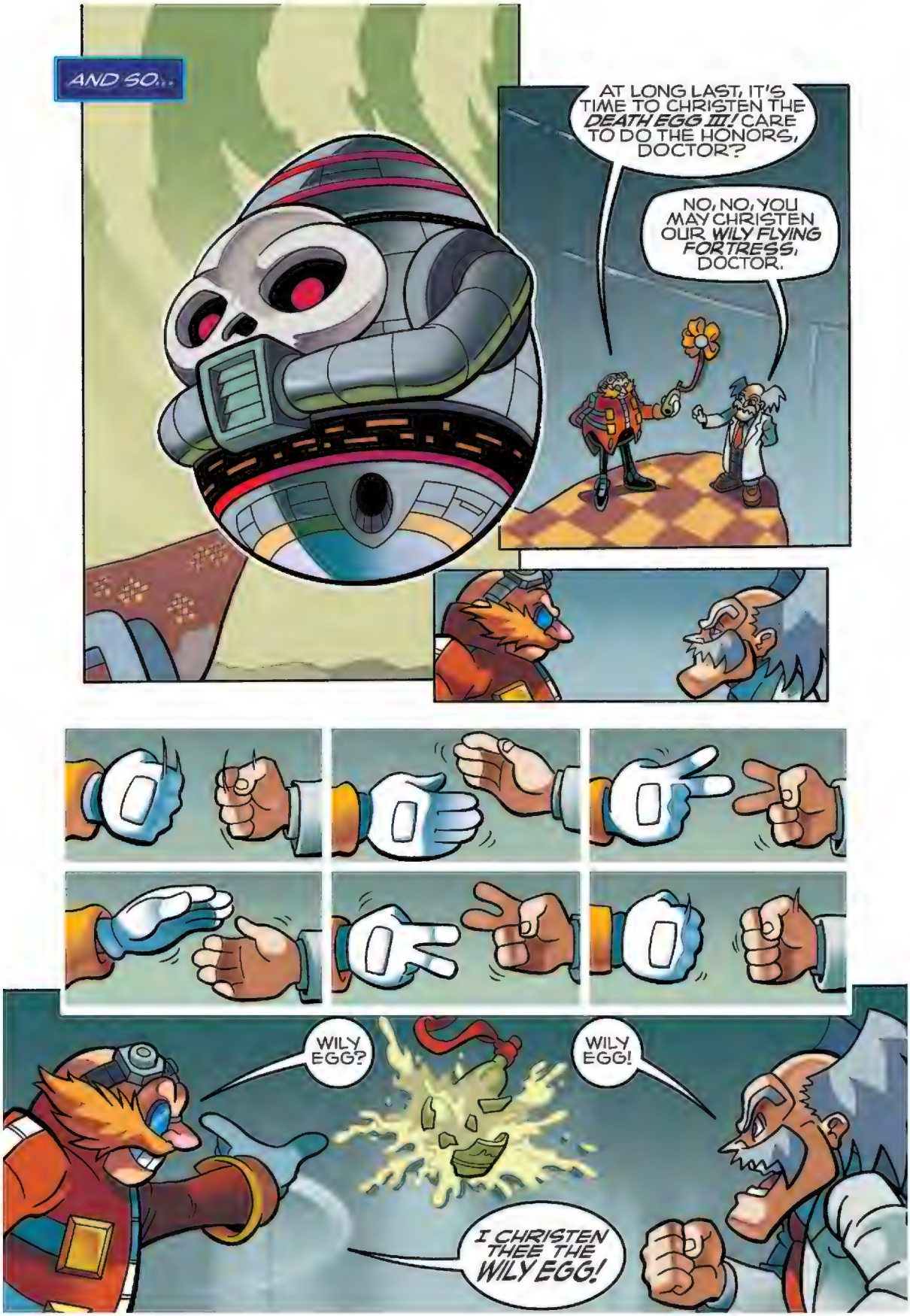

MEANWHILE...
DOCTOR EGGMAN'S BASE OF OPERATIONS -- SONIC'S WORLD...
ORBOT! CUBOT! SEND OUT A GENERAL HOLOGRAPHIC SIGNAL TO MY FORCES THROUGHOUT THE EMPIRE!
COMIN' RIGHT UP, BOSS!
AM I ON?
AAAAAND ...ACTION!
YOU INCOMPETENT INGRATES! I GAVE MY EMPIRE TWO SIMPLE OBJECTIVES, AND YOU'VE FAILED BOTH!
ONE--CONQUER EACH REGION OF THIS PLANET FOR ME SO I HAVE COMPLETE CONTROL OF THE WORLD!
AND TWO-- FIND ME THAT BLASTED MISSING--
--CHAOS EMERALD ...?

WHO ARE YOU ...AND HOW DARE YOU PIRATE MY SIGNAL?! I'M THE ONLY ONE WHO GETS TO PIRATE SIGNALS!
WHO AM I?! I'M DR. ALBERT W. WILY--THE GREATEST ROBOTICS GENIUS ON EARTH!
BAH! I'M THE GREATEST ROBOTICS GENIUS...ON EARTH, YOU SAY?...TELL ME, DOCTOR, WHAT YEAR IS IT THERE?
20XX, WHY?
!!!!!INTERESTING! PLEASE EXCUSE MY EARLIER OUT-BURST, DOCTOR.
MY NAME IS DR. EGGMAN, AND I AM THE GREATEST ROBOTICS GENIUS ON MY WORLD.
YOUR WORLD? YOU DON'T LOOK LIKE A SPACE ALIEN. (NOT HOW I'D PICTURE ONE, ANYWAY...)

HAHAHA! NO, THIS IS YOUR FIRST TIME DEALING WITH ALTERNATE REALITIES, ISN'T IT? ALLOW ME TO EXPLAIN.
THERE ARE INFINITE VARIATIONS OF OUR WORLDS. SOME ARE VERY SIMILAR, WHILE OTHERS ARE VASTLY DIFFERENT. ENTIRE UNIVERSES EXISTING SEPARATE FROM ONE ANOTHER!
SO WE'RE FROM PARALLEL UNIVERSES? FASCINATING...
I DON'T SUPPOSE YOU KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT BRINGING ORDER AND A BETTER WAY OF THINKING TO THE WORLD WITH YOUR MACHINES, DOCTOR?
QUITE! WE NEED TO MEET, AND I HAVE AN IDEA AS TO HOW...
OH, I DO! AND I DON'T SUPPOSE YOU HAVE SOME YOUNG UPSTART WHO GETS IN YOUR WAY AND RUINS EVERYTHING, DO YOU, DOCTOR?
YOU CAN'T BEGIN TO IMAGINE!...OR PERHAPS YOU CAN!

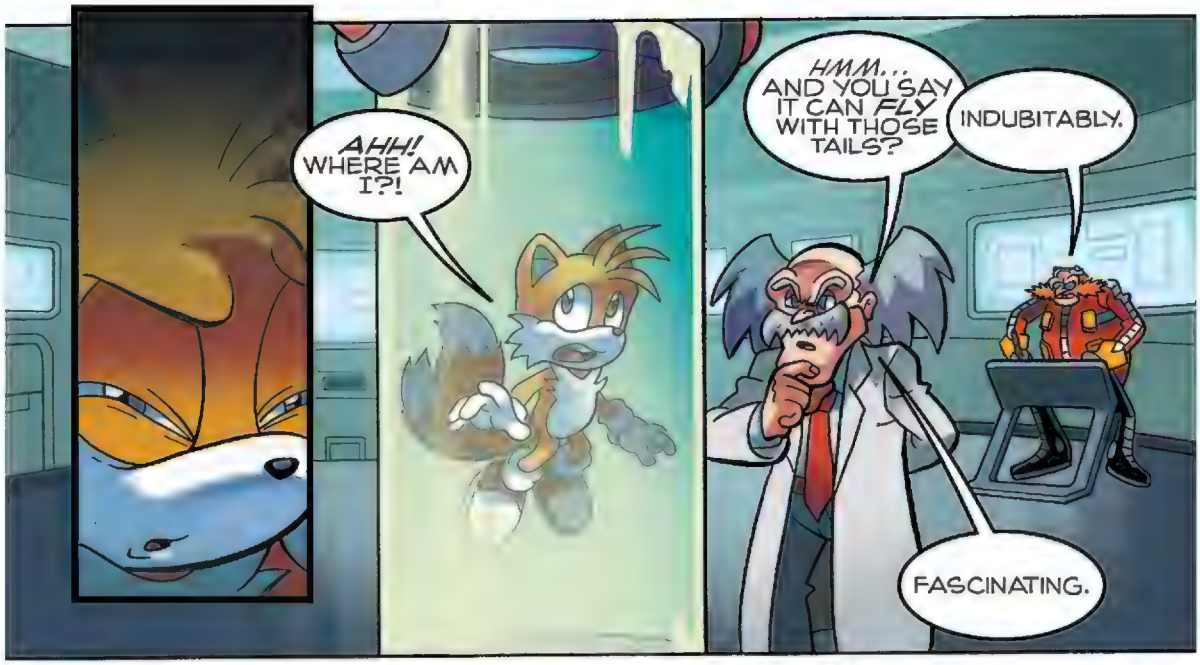
LATER--SOMEWHERE ELSE ENTIRELY...
DOCTOR WILY, I PRESUME?
A PLEASURE, DR. EGGMAN! YOUR THEORIES WERE BRILLIANT! IMAGINE--CRAFTING AN ENTIRE DIMENSION THROUGH THE USE OF CHAOS ENERGY! WHAT DID YOU CALL IT? A ZONE?
INDEED! YOU MANIPULATED THE CHAOS EMERALD EXPERTLY! ARE YOU SURE YOU HAVEN'T DONE THIS BEFORE?
HAHA, OH, STOP!
AH, IT'S THRILLING TO SET FOOT HERE IN THIS NEW "SKULL SECRET ZONE."
HEH HEH, INDEED! EXCEPT IT'S THE "EGG POCKET ZONE."
NO...SKULL SECRET ZONE.
EGG POCKET ZONE.
SKULL. SECRET.
EGG. POCKET.
SKULL! SECRET!
EGG! POCKET!
SKULL--
EGG--
SKULL EGG ZONE!

"THE BEAUTY OF THIS ZONE ISN'T JUST THAT IT'S HIDDEN FROM PRYING EYES.
"IT'S THAT IT BENDS THE RULES OF TIME AND SPACE! HOURS HERE ARE BARELY SECONDS IN OUR HOME DIMENSIONS!!!"
"BY COMBINING THE RESOURCES OF YOUR EMPIRE, THIS ZONE, AND THE POWER OF MY RA MOON... *
"...WE WILL BE ABLE TO CREATE THE ULTIMATE WEAPON WITHOUT FEAR OF LIMITATION OR INTERFERENCE!!!"
*DOCTOR WILY'S MYSTERIOUS TECHNOLOGY-WIELDING ALLY. --EDITOR
"I'VE BUILT A FEW BATTLE STATIONS IN MY DAY. I CAN PROVIDE THE PRIMARY DESIGN."
"AND I HAVE A FLAIR FOR INTERNAL DEFENSES, SO I'LL HANDLE THE DETAILS."
"NOTHING CAN SURPASS OUR COMBINED GENIUS!!!"
"OR OUR TIRELESS ROBOT FORCES!!"


AND SO...
AT LONG LAST, IT'S TIME TO CHRISTEN THE DEATH EGG III! CARE TO DO THE HONORS, DOCTOR?
NO, NO, YOU MAY CHRISTEN OUR WILY FLYING FORTRESS, DOCTOR.
WILY EGG?
WILY EGG!
I CHRISTEN THEE THE WILY EGG!

LATER STILL, ABOARD THE WILY EGG...
AND NOW, ON TO PHASE TWO OF OUR PLAN.
OUR BRILLIANT PLAN.
OUR INCREDIBLY BRILLIANT PLAN. THIS DEVICE, POWERED BY THE CHAOS EMERALD, WILL ALLOW US TO REWRITE THE VERY FABRIC OF REALITY! REWRITTEN, OF COURSE, BASED ON THE "ALTERATIONS" TO BOTH UNIVERSES THAT WE PROGRAMMED.
YES, YES, WE'VE GONE OVER ALL THIS BEFORE. THE ONLY QUESTION REMAINING IS--WILL SONIC, MEGA MAN, OR ANY OF THE OTHER SO-CALLED "HEROES" REMEMBER US AFTER WE REWRITE REALITY?
THAT'S THE BEAUTY OF IT--THEY'LL REMEMBER EXACTLY WHAT WE WANT THEM TO REMEMBER! TO EVERYONE BUT US AND OUR GLORIOUS "SKULL EGG ZONE," THE WORLD WILL HAVE SIMPLY ALWAYS BEEN THE WAY WE REWROTE IT. OBVIOUSLY, WE CAN'T ERASE LIVING BEINGS OR THEIR SPIRITS, BUT WE CAN REARRANGE TIME AND SPACE TO OUR BENEFIT.
NOW, IF YOU WOULD KINDLY PRESS THE COSMIC RESET BUTTON, DOCTOR, OUR REALITIES WILL BE RESHAPED AND PRIMED FOR OUR CONQUEST.
DON'T MIND IF I DO, DOCTOR.
ARGH... DID IT WORK?*
I... I THINK IT DID...
* IT SURE DID! SEE THE WORLDS COLLIDE COMPLETE EPIC GRAPHIC NOVEL COMING SOON!
YES! YES! I REMEMBER IT ALL NOW! SO MUCH HAS CHANGED! THE PAST... PRESENT... EVEN THE FUTURE! MWA HA HA! NOW TO ABUSE THE FUZZY SPACE/TIME OF THIS ZONE AND RESURRECT MY ROBOT MASTERS! ALL OF THEM!
OF COURSE. BUT I HAVE AN EVEN BETTER IDEA.

TAILS'S HOUSE--SONIC'S (NEW) WORLD... MOMENTS AFTER THE COSMIC RESET BUTTON WAS PUSHED...
...AND I'LL NEED SOMETHING TO EAT, AND I SHOULD PACK MY COMPASS IN CASE...
MILES "TAILS" PROWER
SONIC'S HEROIC SIDEKICK
OH, SHOOT! SONIC'S ALREADY HERE!
I'M ALMOST DONE PACKING FOR...
HEY, KID. THE DOCTORS NEED YOU FOR SOME-THING.
BASS
DR. WILY'S DARK ENFORCER
METAL SONIC
DR. EGGMAN'S DEADLY ENFORCER


AHH! WHERE AM I?!
HMM... AND YOU SAY IT CAN FLY WITH THOSE TAILS?
INDUBITABLY.
FASCINATING.

DOCTOR EGGMAN!
HELLO, TAILS! CONGRATULATIONS! YOU'RE GOING TO BE PART OF AN EXPERIMENT!

EXPERIMENT? >GULP< WHAT KIND OF EXPERIMENT?
WE'RE HAVING A HARD TIME SENDING SOMETHING FROM ONE WORLD INTO THE OTHER WITHOUT A NATIVE SPECIMEN TO ACCOMPANY IT. THAT'S WHY BASS NEEDED METAL SONIC TO COME WITH HIM TO YOUR WORLD.

SO WE CAME UP WITH THE BRILLIANT IDEA OF COMBINING THE ROBOTICS OF ALBERT'S WORLD WITH THE ROBOTICIZATION PROCESS OF MY WORLD! A SYNERGY OF ROBOTIC SCIENCE!

I...I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT.
UGH! CHILDREN!
UTTERLY HOPELESS!
THE SHORT VERSION; WE'RE TURNING YOU INTO A ROBOT MASTER TO DO OUR BIDDING.
EGAD! IT WORKED! A COMPLETE ORGANIC-TO-MECHANICAL TRANSFORMATION!
WAH-HA-HA! CONGRATULATIONS, DOCTOR! OUR FIRST ROBOTICIZED MASTER!
CLANG!

THIS IS PERFECT. *TAILS MAN* CAN TRAVEL FREELY TO BOTH OUR WORLDS AND FIND ALL THE OTHER CHAOS EMERALDS SCATTERED BY THE GENESIS WAVE!
"TAILS MAN"? *HA!*

DOESN'T SEEM TO HAVE MUCH OF A PERSONALITY, THOUGH.
ALL PART OF THE PROCESS, AL. YOU GET LESS SASS FROM YOUR MINIONS THAT WAY.
I...SUPPOSE. IT'S NOT REALLY ONE OF *MINE,* ANYWAY.

YOU KNOW, IVO, IF SONIC HAS MORE FRIENDS, WE COULD HAVE A WHOLE ARMY OF ROBOTICIZED MASTERS. IT'D MAKE RECOVERING THE CHAOS EMERALDS MUCH EASIER.
YOU READ MY MIND! WHAT'S MORE, IT'LL MESS WITH SONIC'S HEAD *AND* GIVES US MORE TROOPS TO FIGHT MEGA MAN!

BASS! METAL SONIC! WE'VE GOT MORE TARGETS FOR CAPTURE!
ALL RIGHT, *TAILS MAN,* TIME TO PUT YOU TO WORK.

MEGA CITY-- MEGA MAN'S WORLD...
POST GENESIS-WAVE...
PROTO MAN
HEROIC BROTHER OF MEGA MAN
AIIIEE!
ALL UNITS RE-SPOND TO ATTACK ON THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK! FIRST RESPONDERS ARE DOWN! SUS-PECTS ARE ARMED AND HIGHLY DANGEROUS!
WEE-OOO-
WEE-OOO-
WEE-OOO-
WEE-OOO-

AIEEE!
HELP!
CRRUNCH!
?
CLANG
CLANG
CREEEAK!

YOU'RE PRETTY BRAZEN BANK ROBBERS, I'LL GIVE YOU THAT. POWERFUL, TOO, BY THE LOOK OF THINGS.
WAIT... YOU'RE NOT HUMANS IN HIGH-POWERED GEAR. YOU'RE NOT EVEN REGULAR ROBOTS.
WHAT ARE YOU?!

WE ARE THE ROBOTICIZED MASTERS. WE ARE YOUR DESTRUCTION!
TAILS MAN
SHADOW MAN
KNUCKLES MAN
ROSE WOMAN
NOT THE END!

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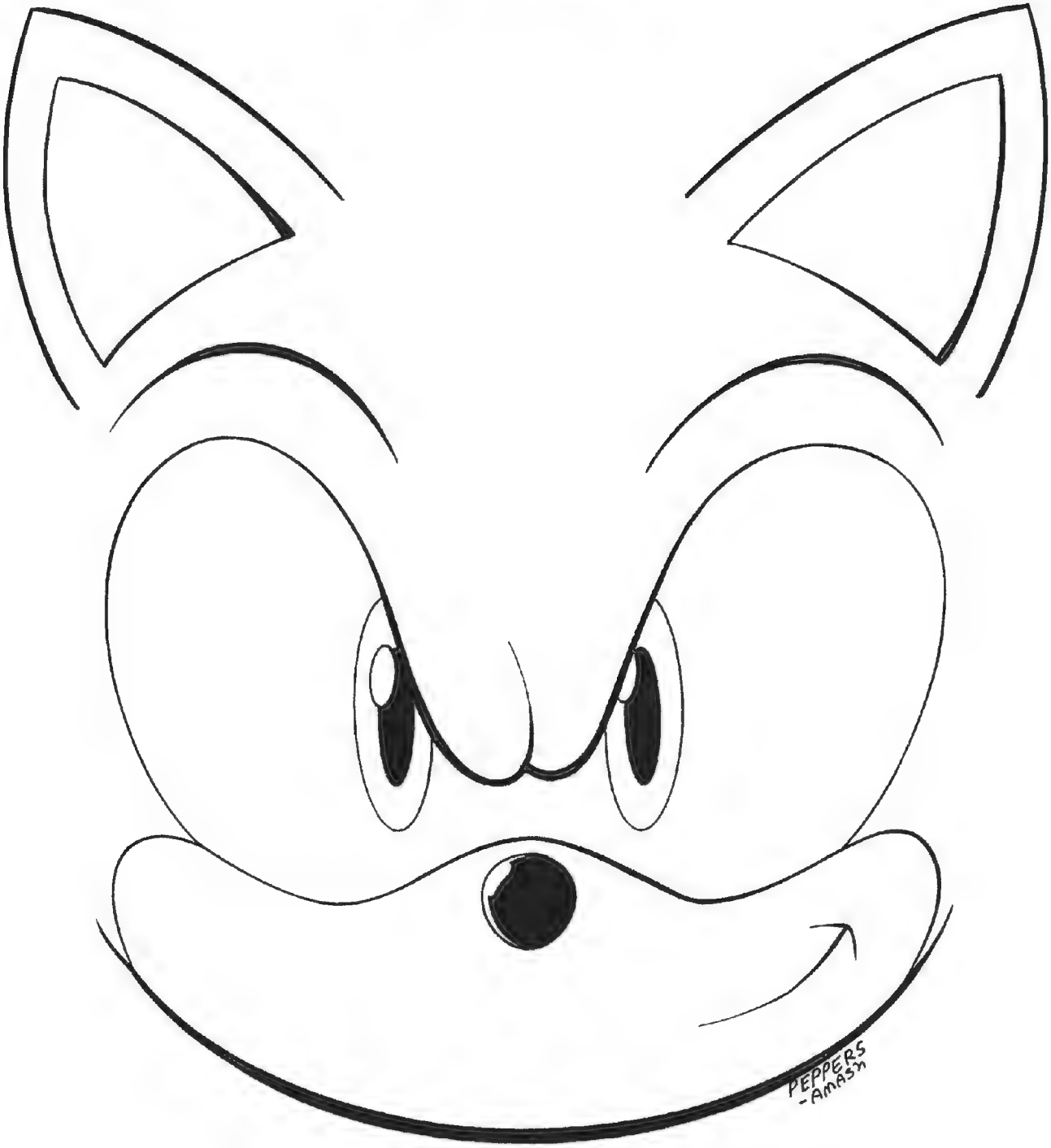

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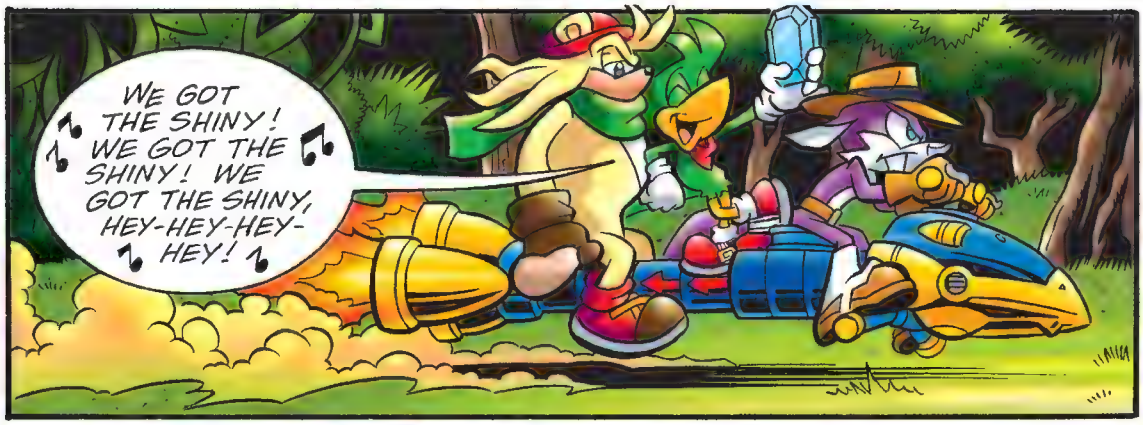
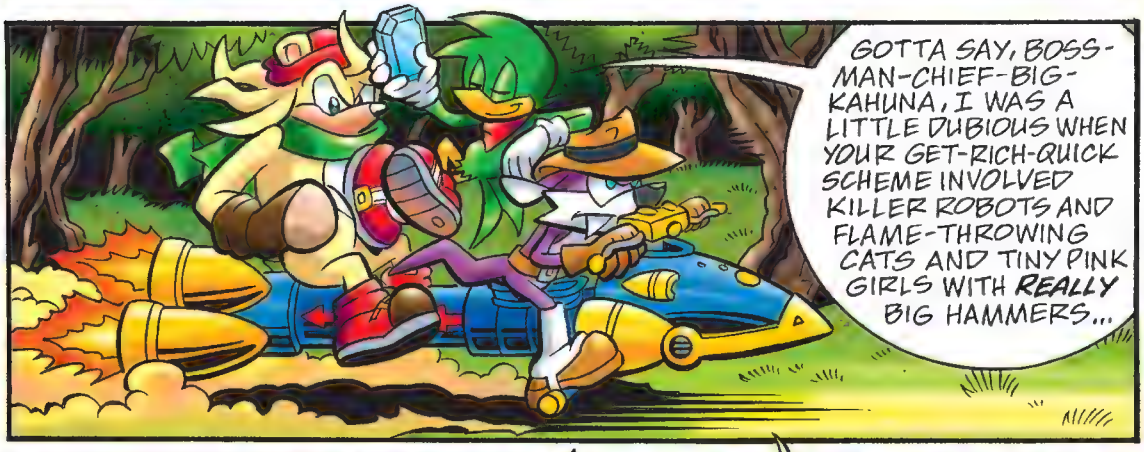
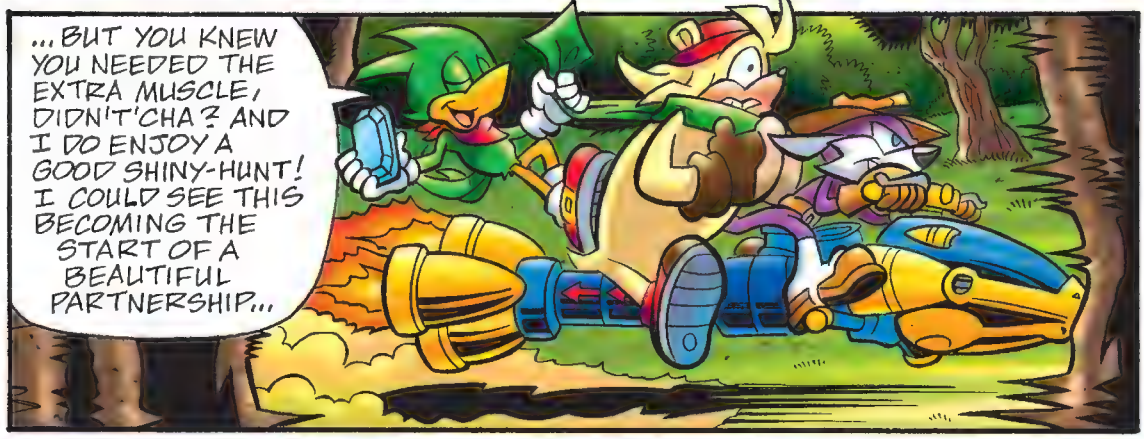
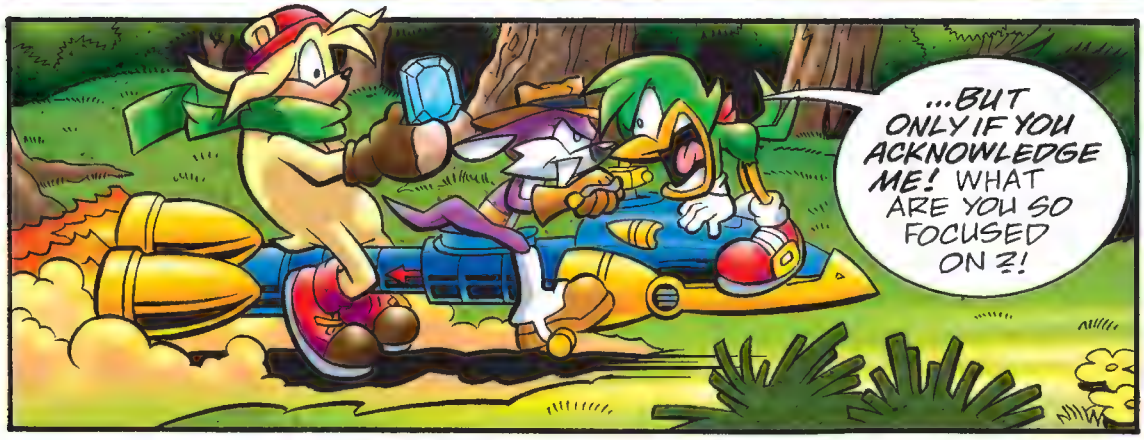

WE GOT THE SHINY! WE GOT THE SHINY! WE GOT THE SHINY, HEY-HEY-HEY-HEY!


GOTTA SAY, BOSS-MAN-CHIEF-BIG-KAHUNA, I WAS A LITTLE DUBIOUS WHEN YOUR GET-RICH-QUICK SCHEME INVOLVED KILLER ROBOTS AND FLAME-THROWING CATS AND TINY PINK GIRLS WITH REALLY BIG HAMMERS...


...BUT YOU KNEW YOU NEEDED THE EXTRA MUSCLE, DIDN'T'CHA? AND I DO ENJOY A GOOD SHINY-HUNT! I COULD SEE THIS BECOMING THE START OF A BEAUTIFUL PARTNERSHIP...


...BUT ONLY IF YOU ACKNOWLEDGE ME! WHAT ARE YOU SO FOCUSED ON?!

WELCOME TO THE PLANET MOBIUS --A WORLD BEYOND WHAT YOU KNOW FROM THE SEGA GAMES-- WHERE THE RACE FOR THE RARE SOL EMERALDS HAS BROUGHT TEAM-BASED MAYHEM TO MOBIUS!
TREASURE TEAM TANGO
STEP THREE: THE LLEVADA
??? THAT'S A BIG BLIMP!
TRYING TO GET AWAY FROM THEM!
OH.
BEAN THE DUCK DYNAMITE DUCK
BARK THE POLAR BEAR SILENT STRONG-MAN
NACK THE WEASEL NE'ER-DO-WELL
MARVELOUS QUEEN HI-TECH RIDE
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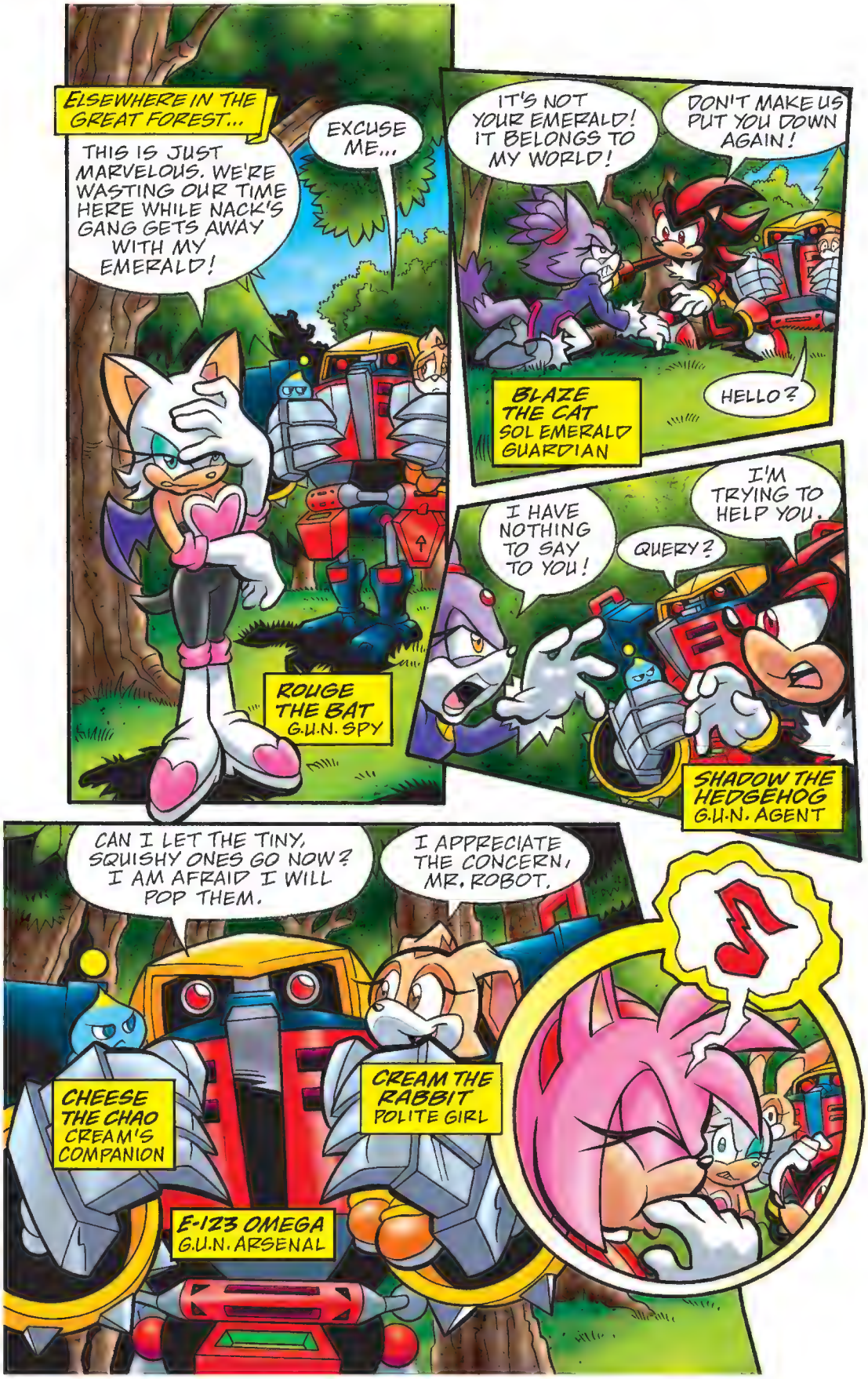
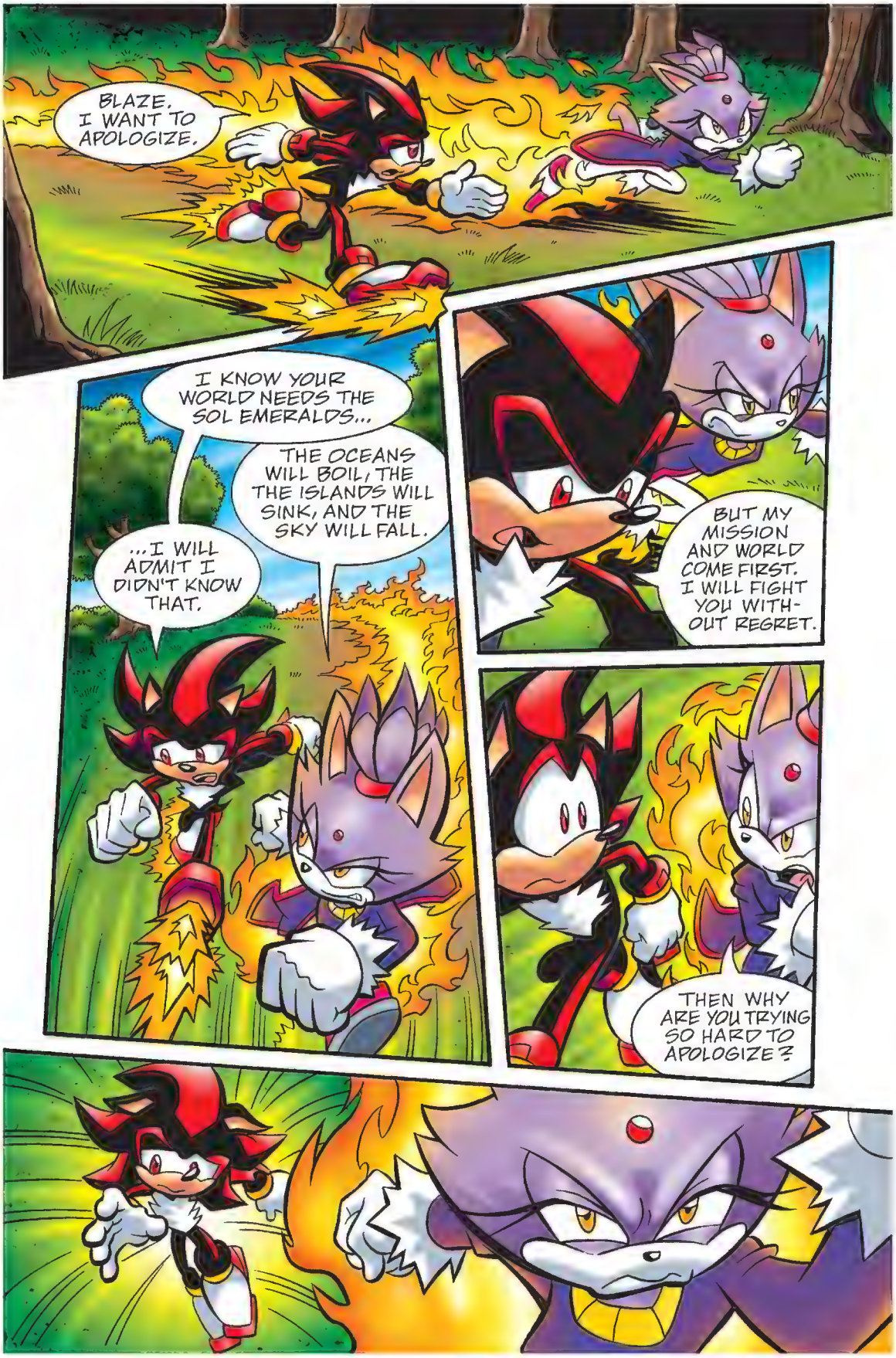

ELSEWHERE IN THE GREAT FOREST...
THIS IS JUST MARVELOUS. WE'RE WASTING OUR TIME HERE WHILE NACK'S GANG GETS AWAY WITH MY EMERALD!
EXCUSE ME...
ROUGE THE BAT G.U.N. SPY
IT'S NOT YOUR EMERALD! IT BELONGS TO MY WORLD!
DON'T MAKE US PUT YOU DOWN AGAIN!
HELLO?
BLAZE THE CAT SOL EMERALD GUARDIAN
I HAVE NOTHING TO SAY TO YOU!
QUERY?
I'M TRYING TO HELP YOU.
SHADOW THE HEDGEHOG G.U.N. AGENT
CAN I LET THE TINY, SQUISHY ONES GO NOW? I AM AFRAID I WILL POP THEM.
I APPRECIATE THE CONCERN, MR. ROBOT.
CHEESE THE CHAO CREAM'S COMPANION
CREAM THE RABBIT POLITE GIRL
E-123 OMEGA G.U.N. ARSENAL

LISTEN UP, PEOPLE! RIGHT NOW WE'VE GOT TO WORRY ABOUT NACK GETTING AWAY!
AMY ROSE
FREEDOM FIGHTER
WE CAN EITHER TRACK THEM DOWN, OR WE CAN KEEP FIGHTING AND LOSE THE TRAIL!
FINE, WE'LL PLAY NICE.
THANK YOU FOR BEING GENTLE, MR. ROBOT!
YOU ARE TOO CUTE TO EVISCERATE.
MS. ROSE, WHAT DOES "EVISCERATE" MEAN?
I'LL... I'LL TELL YOU LATER, SO! HOW ARE ALL OF US GOING TO TRACK THOSE JERKS TOGETHER?
I HAVE JUST THE THING...

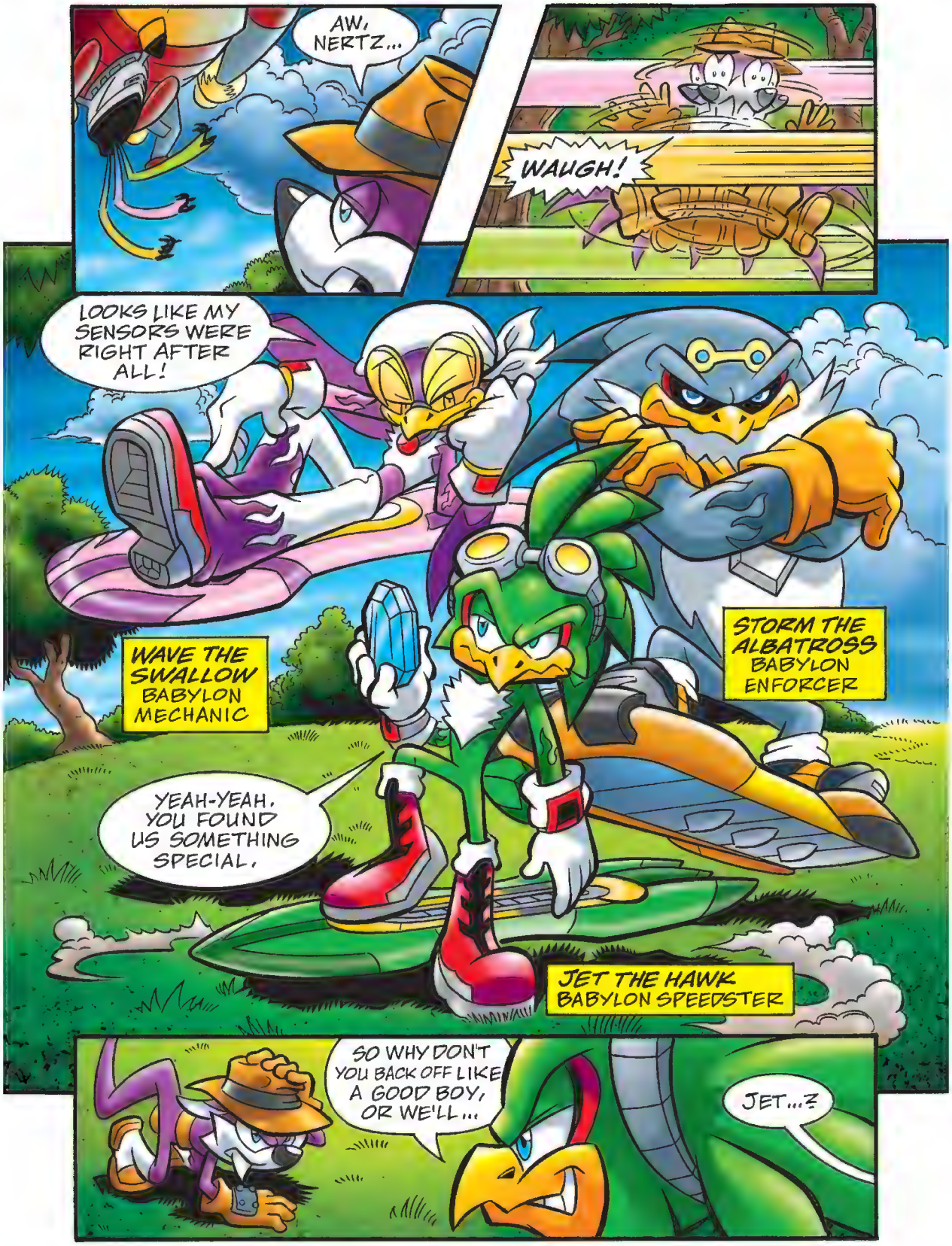
NOW THAT WE HAVE A SECOND--HOW DO YOU KNOW BLAZE?
WE MET ON A MISSION.* SHE HELPED ME COMPLETE IT AND RETURN HOME.
*SU VOL. 1 GRAPHIC NOVEL.
SHE HELPED YOU AND NOW YOU'RE FIGHTING HER?
YES.
AND YOU HEARD HER SAY HER WORLD WILL FALL APART WITHOUT THE SOL EMERALDS, RIGHT?
YES.
I THOUGHT YOU WERE ONE OF THE GOOD GUYS! YOU WANT TO SAVE MOBIUS! WHY WOULDN'T YOU SAVE ALL WORLDS?
I... WILL DO WHAT I MUST. NOW LET ME GET OUR RIDE.
YOU'LL DO WHAT'S RIGHT. I KNOW IT.

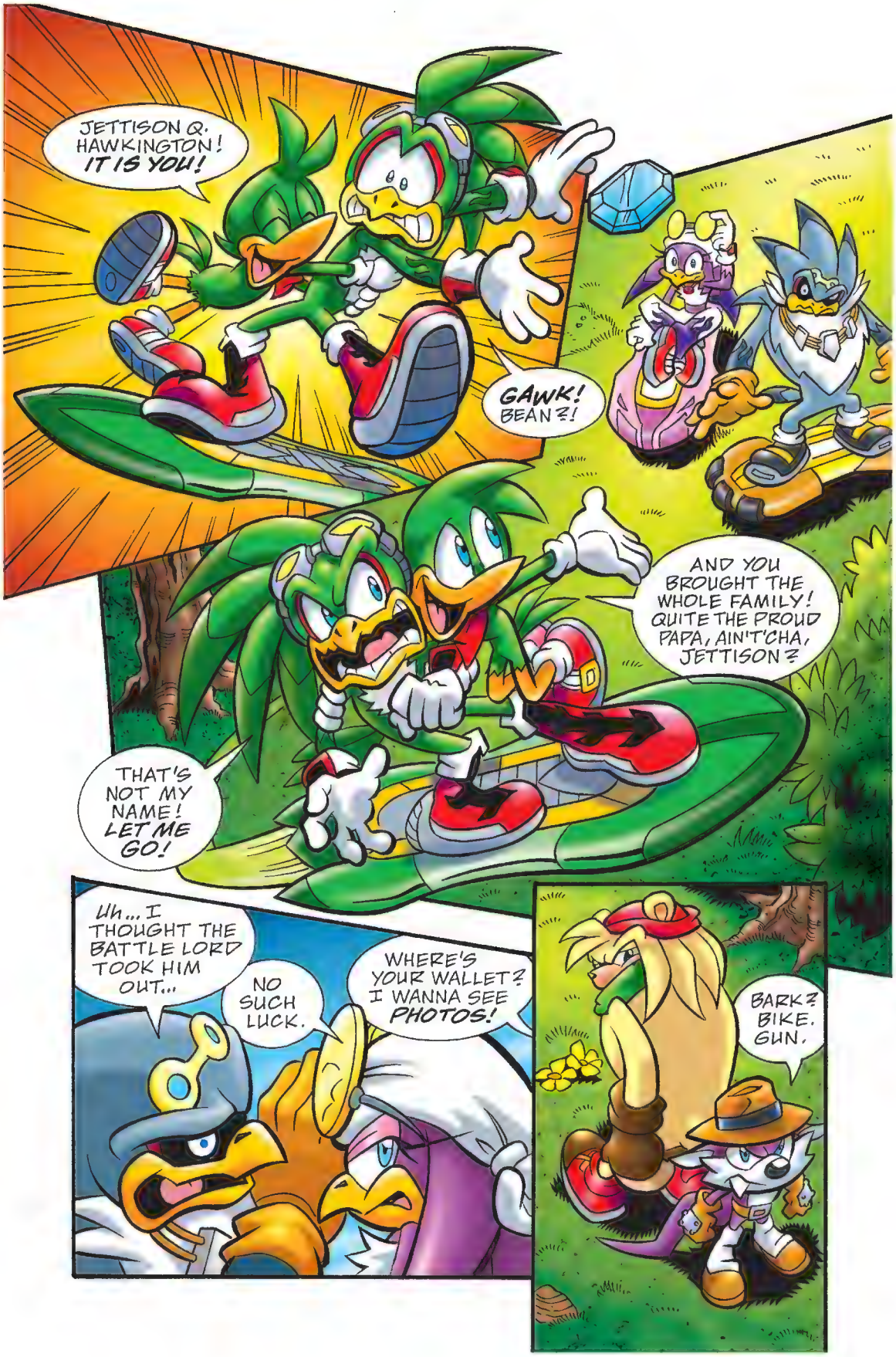
SHORTLY...
ISN'T THIS A LOVELY DAY FOR A RIDE, MR. ROBOT? AND YOU'RE SO COMFY, TOO!
URGE TO MAIM: RISING.
CHAO-CHAO!
THIS IS A NICE BIKE, SHADOW, BUT WHY DO YOU HAVE IT? YOU CAN KEEP UP WITH SONIC!
G.U.N. PROTOCOL REQUIRES ONE TROOP TRANSPORT FOR EACH SQUAD!
WHICH IS WHY YOU PAINTED AND MAINTAIN IT YOURSELF, RIGHT?
I REALLY LIKE THAT BIKE.

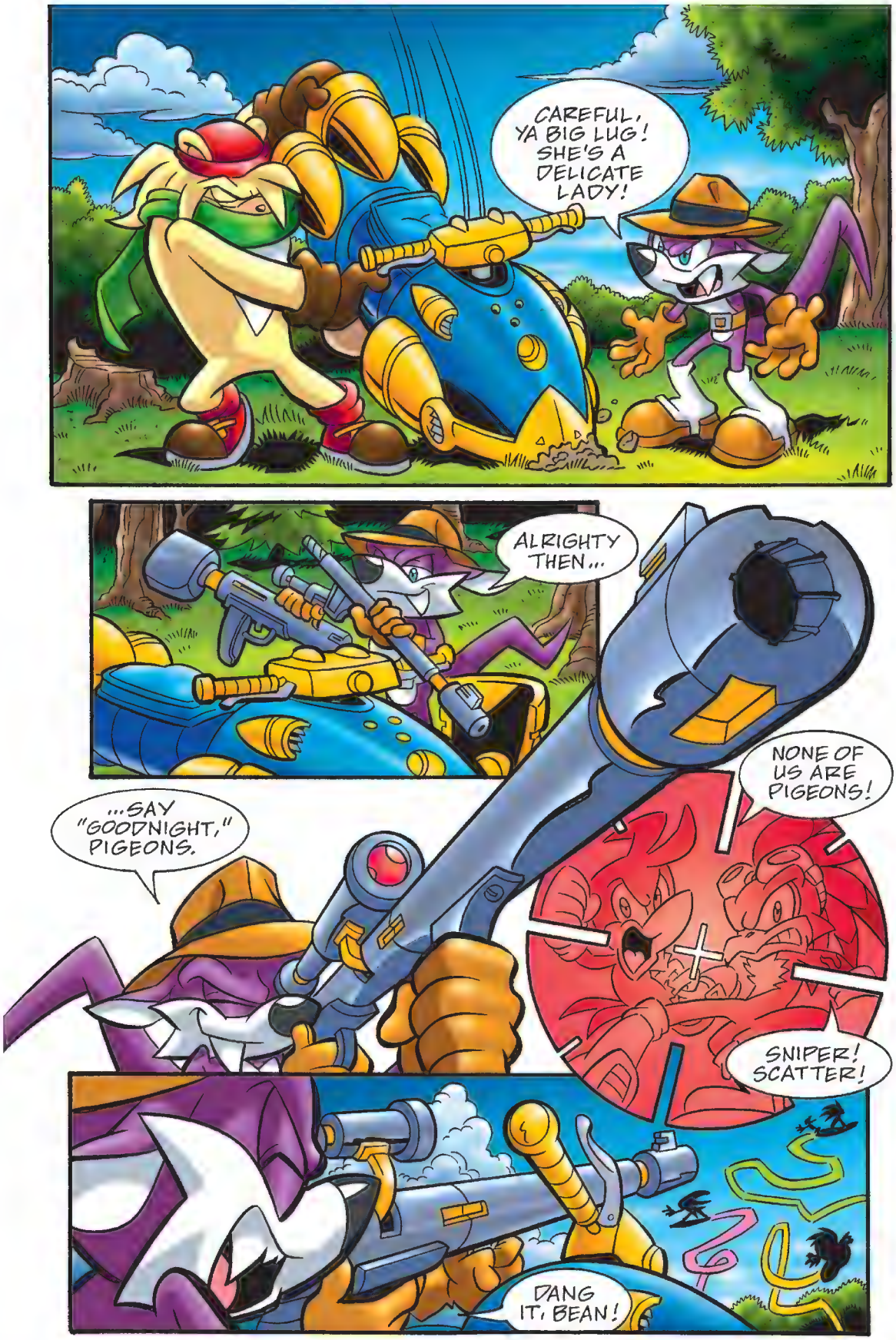
YEAH, WELL, WE CAN'T GO TOO FAST ON THIS TERRAIN!
HEY, PRINCESS, THINK YOU COULD BLAZE US A TRAIL?
I WILL DO IT! I WILL DO IT!
Hmph!
FWOOMP!
THE POOR FOREST...
WHAT? SHE LEFT TREES STANDING.
I'M GOING AHEAD.

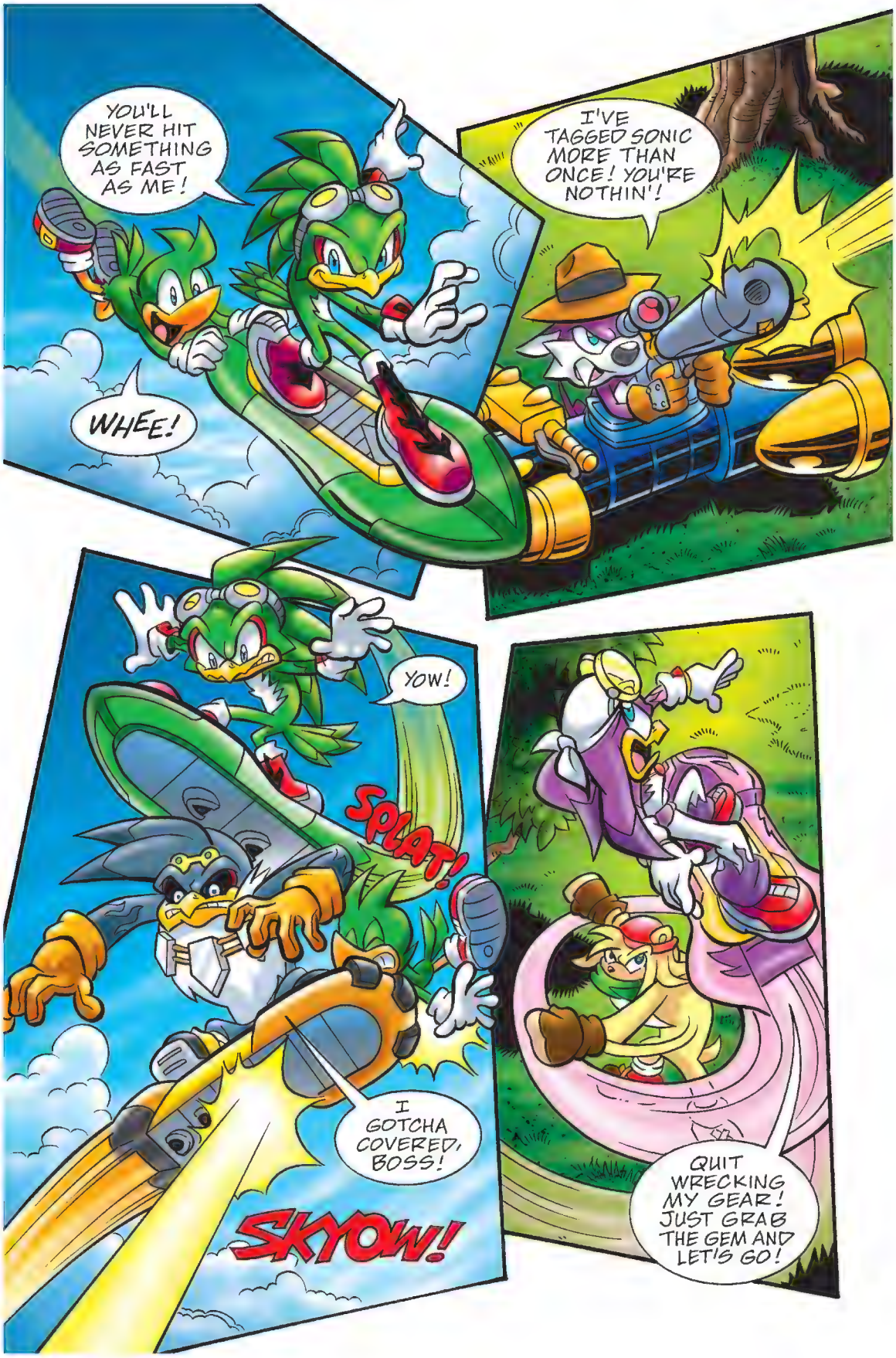

BLAZE, I WANT TO APOLOGIZE.
I KNOW YOUR WORLD NEEDS THE SOL EMERALDS...
THE OCEANS WILL BOIL, THE THE ISLANDS WILL SINK, AND THE SKY WILL FALL.
...I WILL ADMIT I DIDN'T KNOW THAT.
BUT MY MISSION AND WORLD COME FIRST. I WILL FIGHT YOU WITH-OUT REGRET.
THEN WHY ARE YOU TRYING SO HARD TO APOLOGIZE?

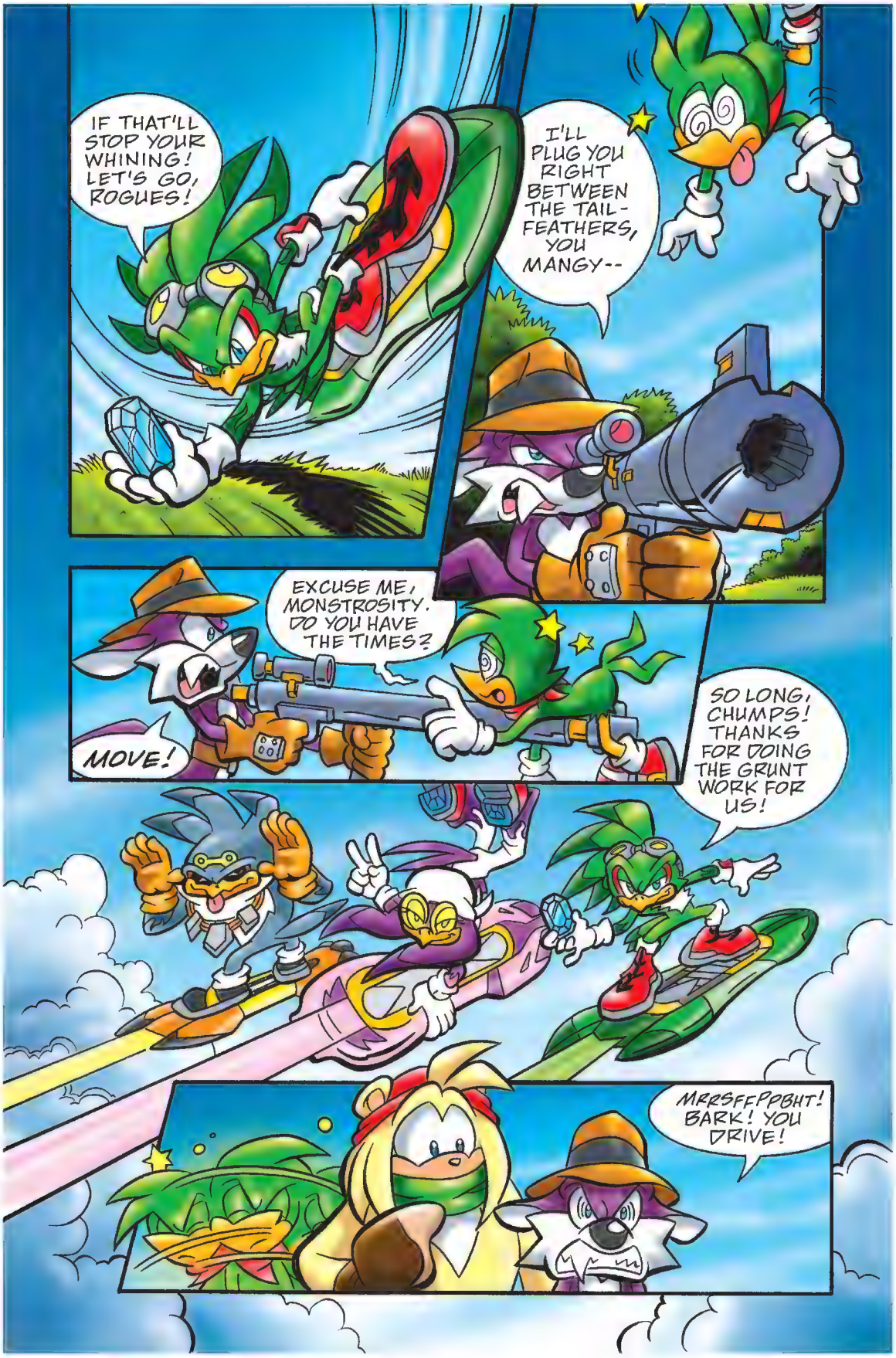
MEANWHILE...
EEEEEEW
OOH! OOH! THEY'RE DROPPING ANOTHER ONE!
C'MON, BABY! FASTER!
WAH-HA-HA-HA-HA! YES! AWE-SOME!
KA-BOOM
STOP MESSING UP MY BIKE!
...FEATHER-BRAINED IDIOTS... I STOLE IT FAIR AND SQUARE...
TRY THAT AGAIN, I DARE YA! YOU'LL BLOW THE GEM TO SMITHEREENS!

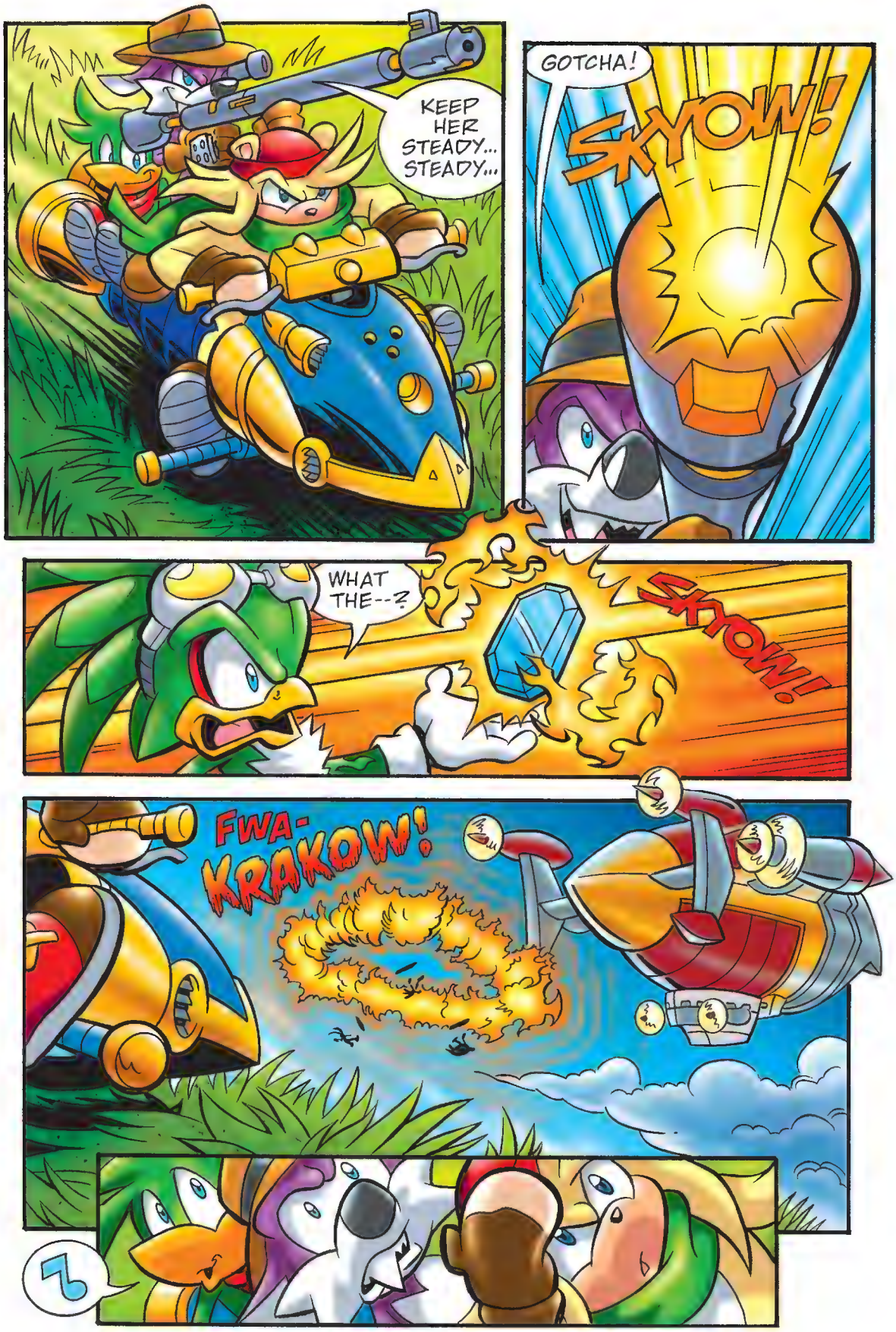

AW, NERTZ...
WAUGH!
LOOKS LIKE MY SENSORS WERE RIGHT AFTER ALL!
WAVE THE SWALLOW BABYLON MECHANIC
STORM THE ALBATROSS BABYLON ENFORCER
YEAH-YEAH. YOU FOUND US SOMETHING SPECIAL.
JET THE HAWK BABYLON SPEEDSTER
SO WHY DON'T YOU BACK OFF LIKE A GOOD BOY, OR WE'LL...
JET...?


JETTISON Q. HAWKINGTON! IT IS YOU!
GAWK! BEAN?!
AND YOU BROUGHT THE WHOLE FAMILY! QUITE THE PROUD PAPA, AIN'T'CHA, JETTISON?
THAT'S NOT MY NAME! LET ME GO!
Uh... I THOUGHT THE BATTLE LORD TOOK HIM OUT...
NO SUCH LUCK.
WHERE'S YOUR WALLET? I WANNA SEE PHOTOS!
BARK? BIKE. GUN.


CAREFUL, YA BIG LUG! SHE'S A DELICATE LADY!
ALRIGHTY THEN...
...SAY "GOODNIGHT," PIGEONS.
NONE OF US ARE PIGEONS!
SNIPER! SCATTER!
DANG IT, BEAN!


YOU'LL NEVER HIT SOMETHING AS FAST AS ME!
WHEE!
I'VE TAGGED SONIC MORE THAN ONCE! YOU'RE NOTHIN'!
YOW!
SPLAT!
I GOTCHA COVERED, BOSS!
SKYOW!
QUIT WRECKING MY GEAR! JUST GRAB THE GEM AND LET'S GO!


IF THAT'LL STOP YOUR WHINING! LET'S GO, ROGUES!
I'LL PLUG YOU RIGHT BETWEEN THE TAIL-FEATHERS, YOU MANGY--
EXCUSE ME, MONSTROSITY. DO YOU HAVE THE TIMES?
MOVE!
SO LONG, CHUMPS! THANKS FOR DOING THE GRUNT WORK FOR US!
MRRSFFPPBHT! BARK! YOU DRIVE!


KEEP HER STEADY... STEADY...
GOTCHA!
SKYOW!
WHAT THE--?
SKYOW!
FWA-KRAKOW!
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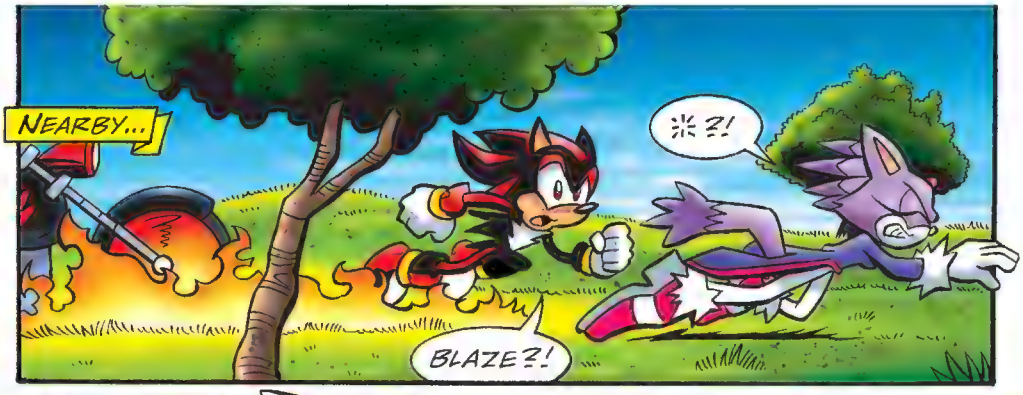
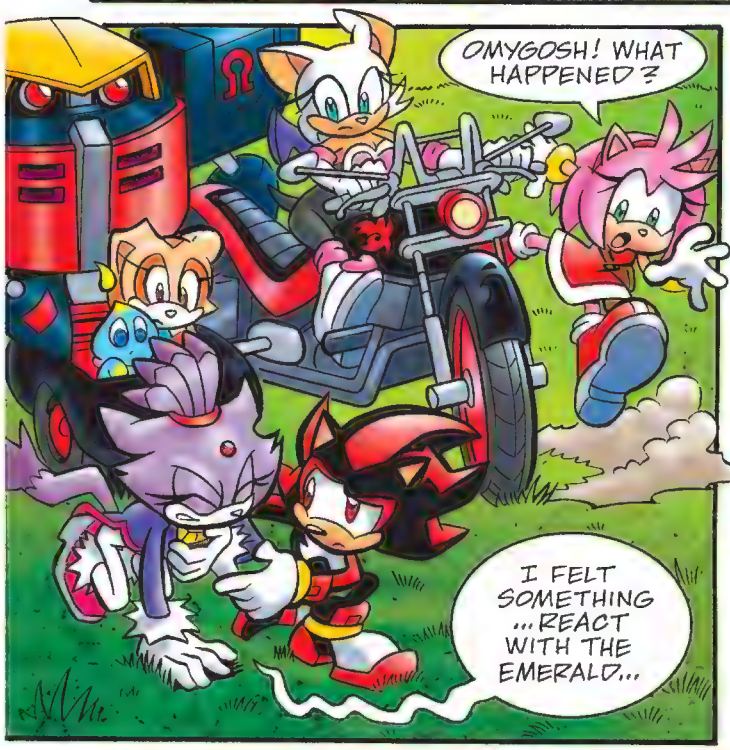
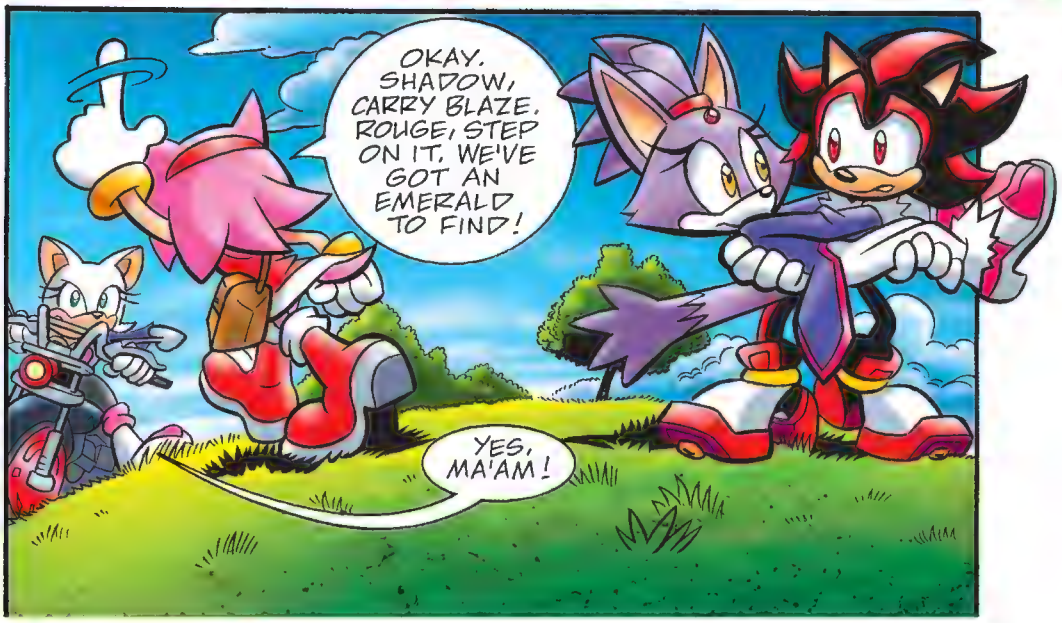
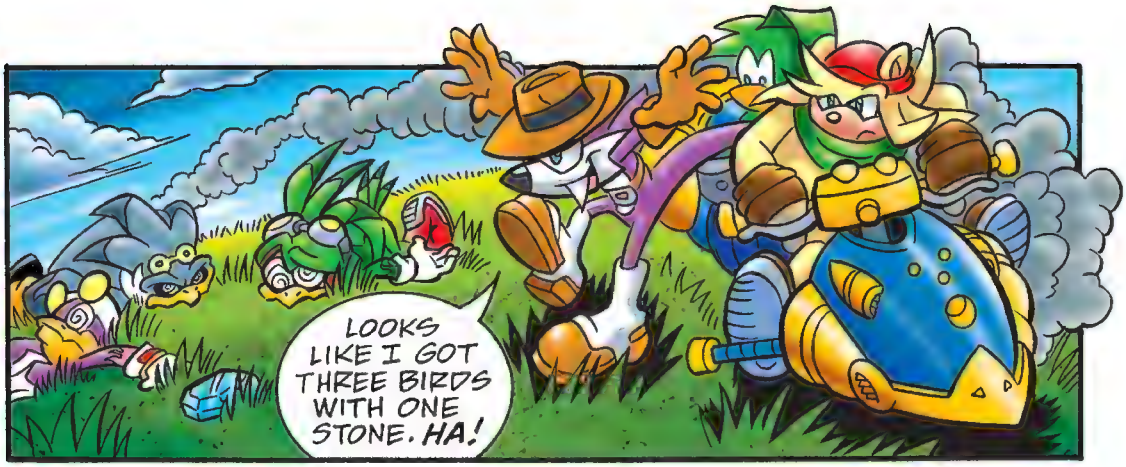
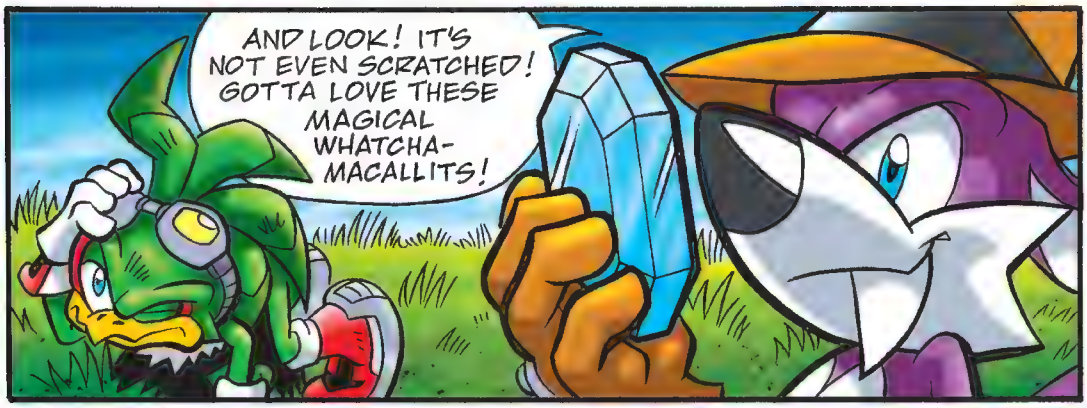

NEARBY...
BLAZE?!

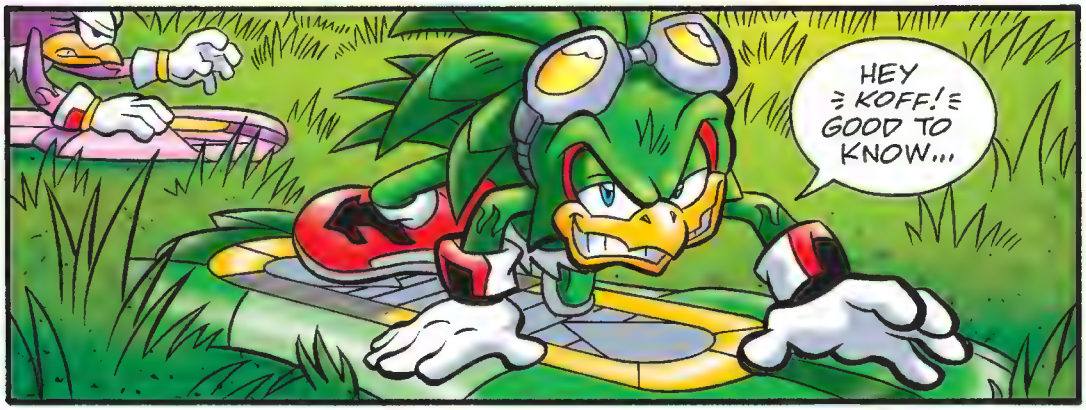

OMYGOSH! WHAT HAPPENED?
I FELT SOMETHING ...REACT WITH THE EMERALD...

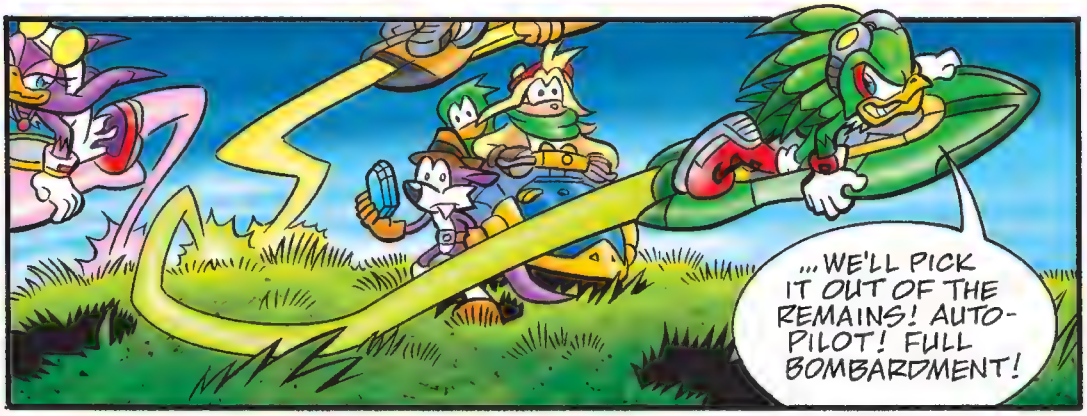
WILL YOU BE OKAY? DO YOU NEED TO REST?
NO...I CAN SENSE ITS LOCATION NOW...


OKAY. SHADOW, CARRY BLAZE. ROUGE, STEP ON IT. WE'VE GOT AN EMERALD TO FIND!
YES, MA'AM!


LOOKS LIKE I GOT THREE BIRDS WITH ONE STONE. HA!


AND LOOK! IT'S NOT EVEN SCRATCHED! GOTTA LOVE THESE MAGICAL WHATCHA-MACALLITS!

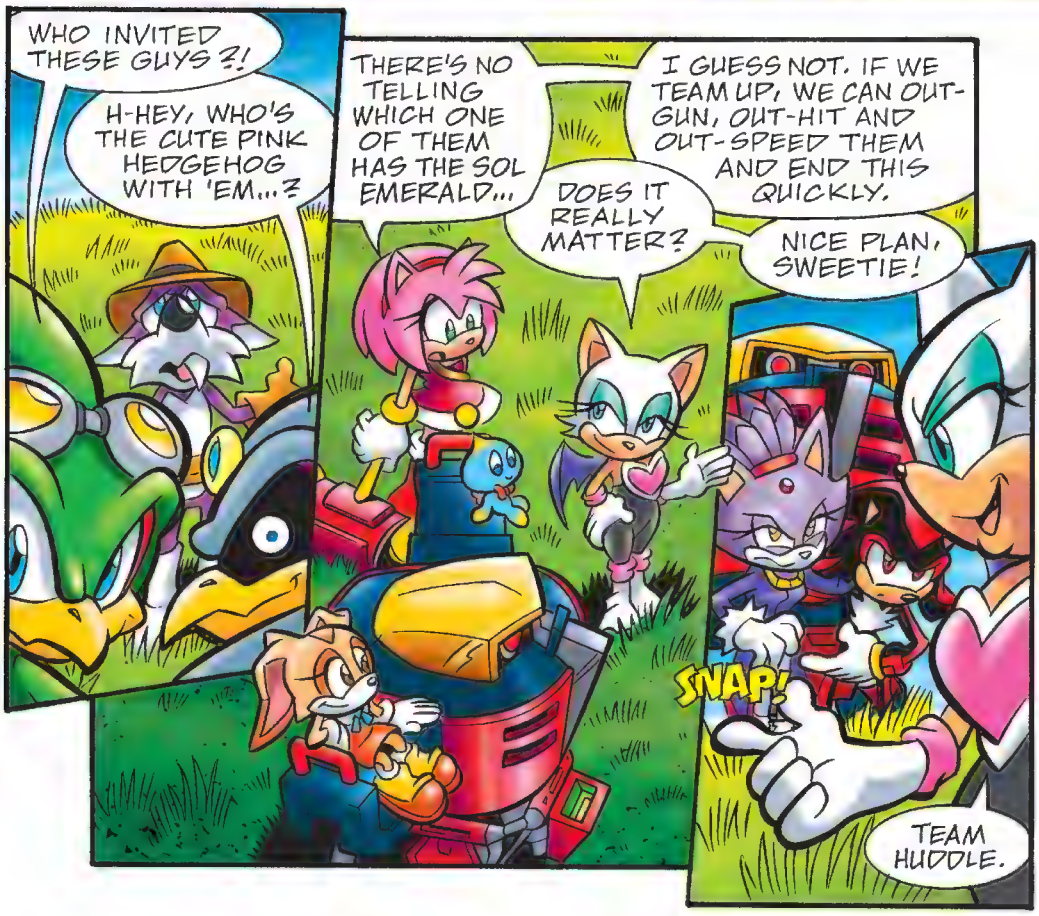

HEY ≡ KOFF! ≡ GOOD TO KNOW...


...WE'LL PICK IT OUT OF THE REMAINS! AUTO-PILOT! FULL BOMBARDMENT!

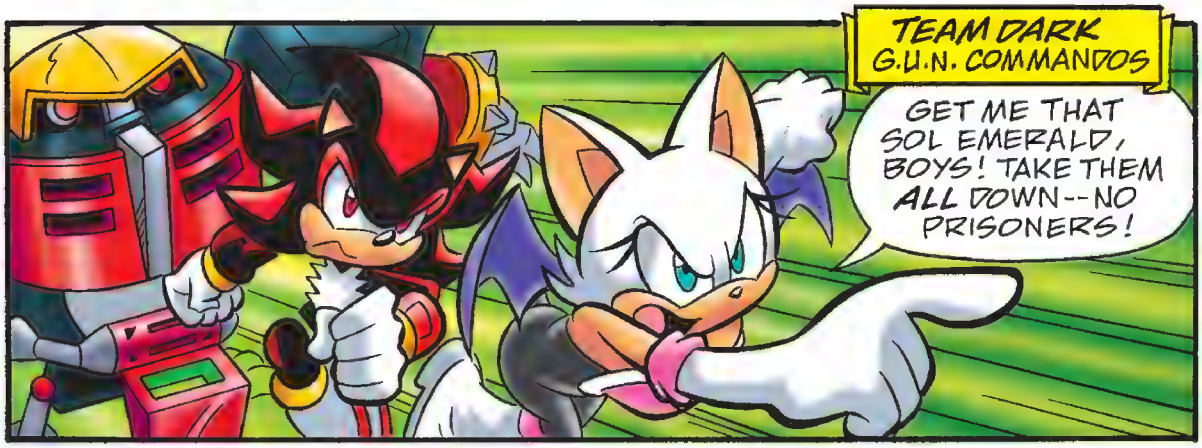
FWEEEEEEEEEE
NO! NOT LIKE THIS! NOT LIKE THIS!
WOW! LOOK AT ALL OF THEM!
AND A-ONE! AND A-TWO! AND A ONE-TWO! ALL TOGETHER NOW...
KRAKA BOOOOOOMM!
DID--DID BEAN JUST...?
PERFECT! EXCEPT YOU ON THE LEFT! YOU WERE A LITTLE FLAT!
YEAH. JUST BE THANKFUL HE'S MORE ROGUE THAN ARMADA!

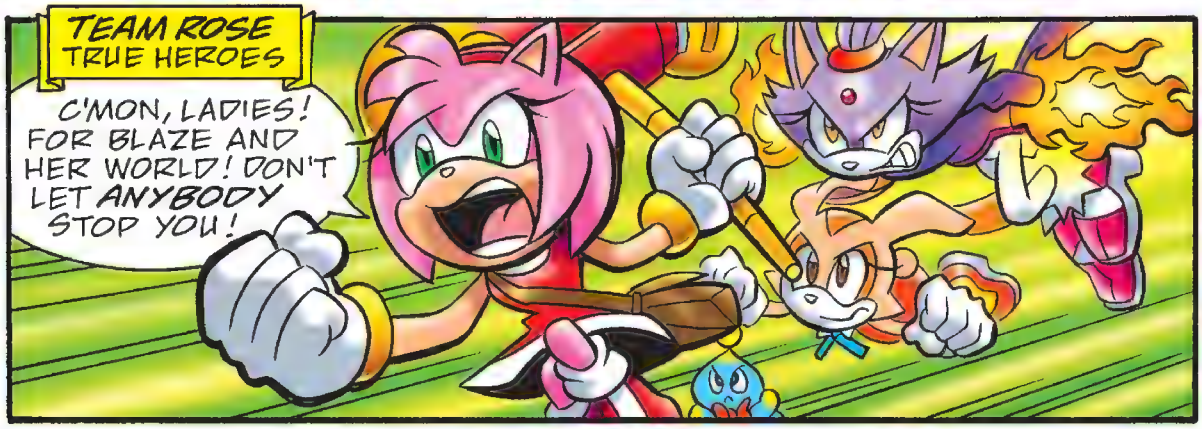
THAT TEARS IT! YOU CAN BACK-STAB ME, CHEAT ME, KICK ME WHILE I'M DOWN...
...BUT NOBODY TRIES TO BLOW UP MY BIKE!
YOU WANT TO RUMBLE, YOU BENT-TAILED HACK? LET'S GO!
BADDA
BADDA
BADDA!

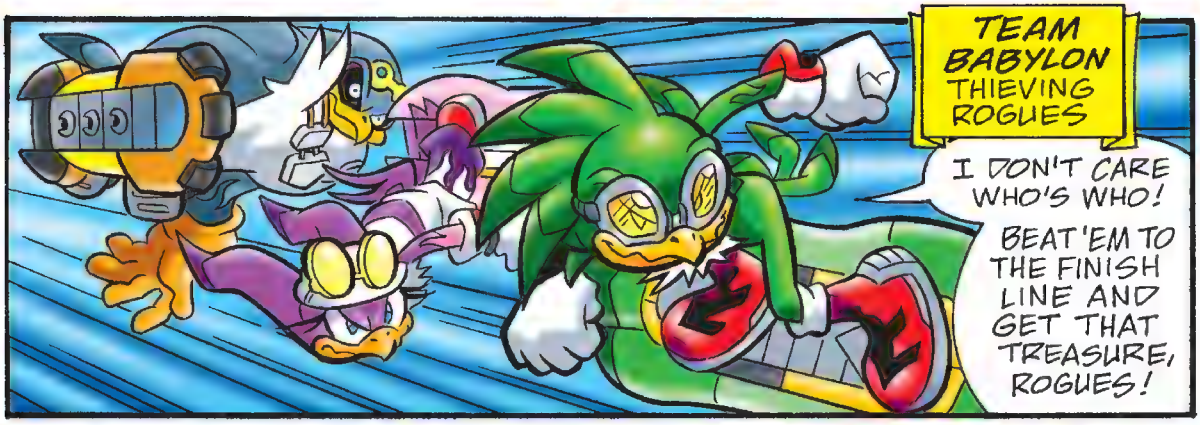
MENACE AND MASCULINITY REAFFIRMED.
THE BABYLON ROGUES TOO? THIS JUST KEEPS GETTING BETTER...

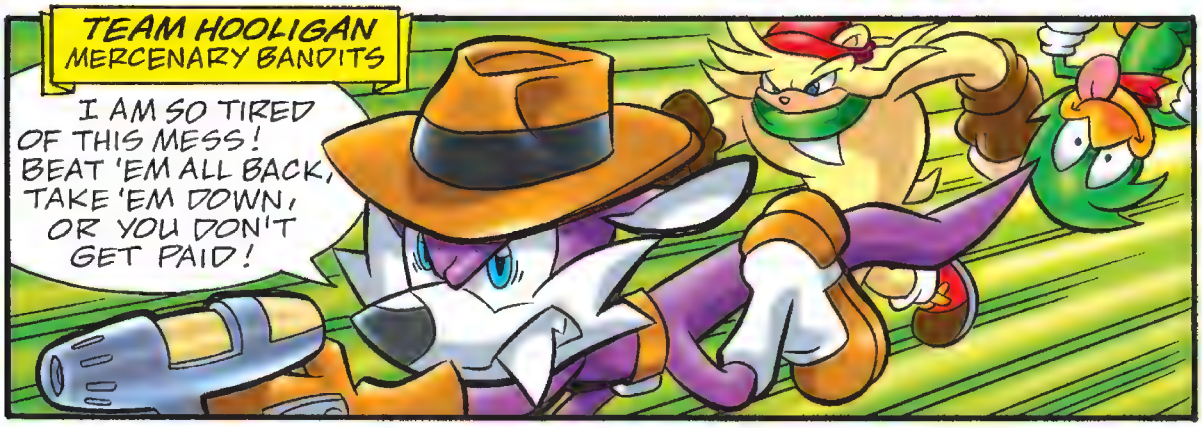

WHO INVITED THESE GUYS?!
H-HEY, WHO'S THE CUTE PINK HEDGEHOG WITH 'EM...?
THERE'S NO TELLING WHICH ONE OF THEM HAS THE SOL EMERALD...
DOES IT REALLY MATTER?
I GUESS NOT. IF WE TEAM UP, WE CAN OUT-GUN, OUT-HIT AND OUT-SPEED THEM AND END THIS QUICKLY.
NICE PLAN, SWEETIE!
SNAP!
TEAM HUDDLE.

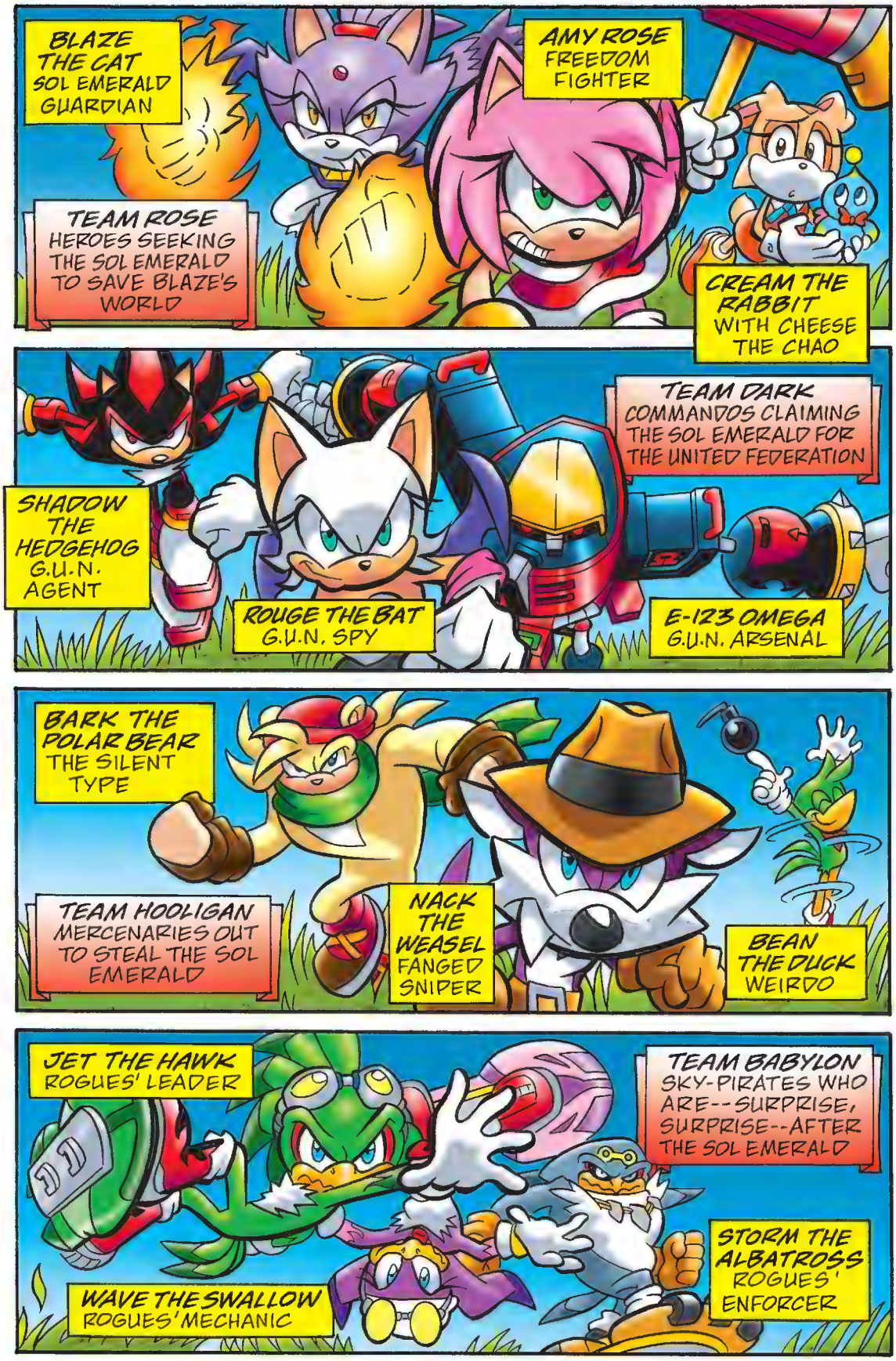
THE OTHER TWO GROUPS ARE NOTHING. WE STOMP THE GIRLS WHILE THEY'RE OVER-WHELMED AND SCRAM WITH THE GEM.
YOU'D BETRAY THEM TWICE IN ONE DAY?
I'M NOT LETTING THAT GEM GO! THIS IS OUR MISSION, SO GET OVER IT.
...
THEY'RE GOING TO TURN ON US, I KNOW IT!
ARE YOU SURE?
THERE'S NO DOUBT.
ORDERS, BOSS?
LEAVE 'EM IN THE DUST!
I MAKE BOOM NOW, YES?
OH YEAH. YOU MAKE LOTS BOOM NOW.


TEAM DARK
G.U.N. COMMANDOS
GET ME THAT SOL EMERALD, BOYS! TAKE THEM ALL DOWN--NO PRISONERS!


TEAM ROSE
TRUE HEROES
C'MON, LADIES! FOR BLAZE AND HER WORLD! DON'T LET ANYBODY STOP YOU!


TEAM BABYLON
THIEVING ROGUES
I DON'T CARE WHO'S WHO!
BEAT 'EM TO THE FINISH LINE AND GET THAT TREASURE, ROGUES!


TEAM HOOLIGAN
MERCENARY BANDITS
I AM SO TIRED OF THIS MESS! BEAT 'EM ALL BACK, TAKE 'EM DOWN, OR YOU DON'T GET PAID!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WITH CHEESE THE CHAO
TEAM DARK
COMMANDOS CLAIMING THE SOL EMERALD FOR THE UNITED FEDERATION
SHADOW THE HEDGEHOG
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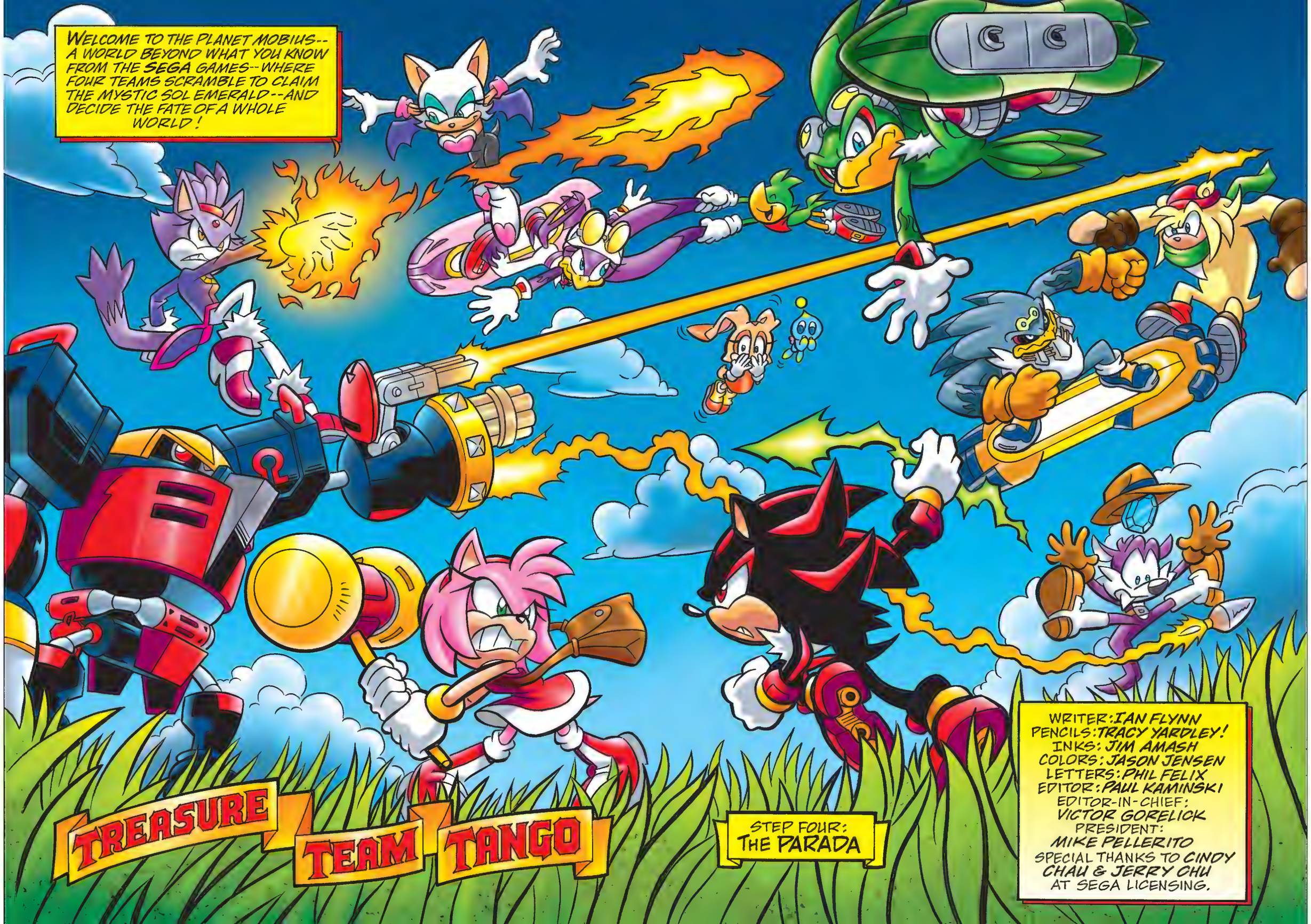
THE SILENT TYPE
TEAM HOOLIGAN
MERCENARIES OUT TO STEAL THE SOL EMERALD
NACK THE WEASEL
FANGED SNIPER
BEAN THE DUCK
WEIRDO
JET THE HAWK
ROGUES' LEADER
TEAM BABYLON
SKY-PIRATES WHO ARE--SURPRISE, SURPRISE--AFTER THE SOL EMERALD
STORM THE ALBATROSS
ROGUES' ENFORCER
WAVE THE SWALLOW
ROGUES' MECHANIC


WELCOME TO THE PLANET MOBIUS-- A WORLD BEYOND WHAT YOU KNOW FROM THE SEGA GAMES--WHERE FOUR TEAMS SCRAMBLE TO CLAIM THE MYSTIC SOL EMERALD--AND DECIDE THE FATE OF A WHOLE WORLD!
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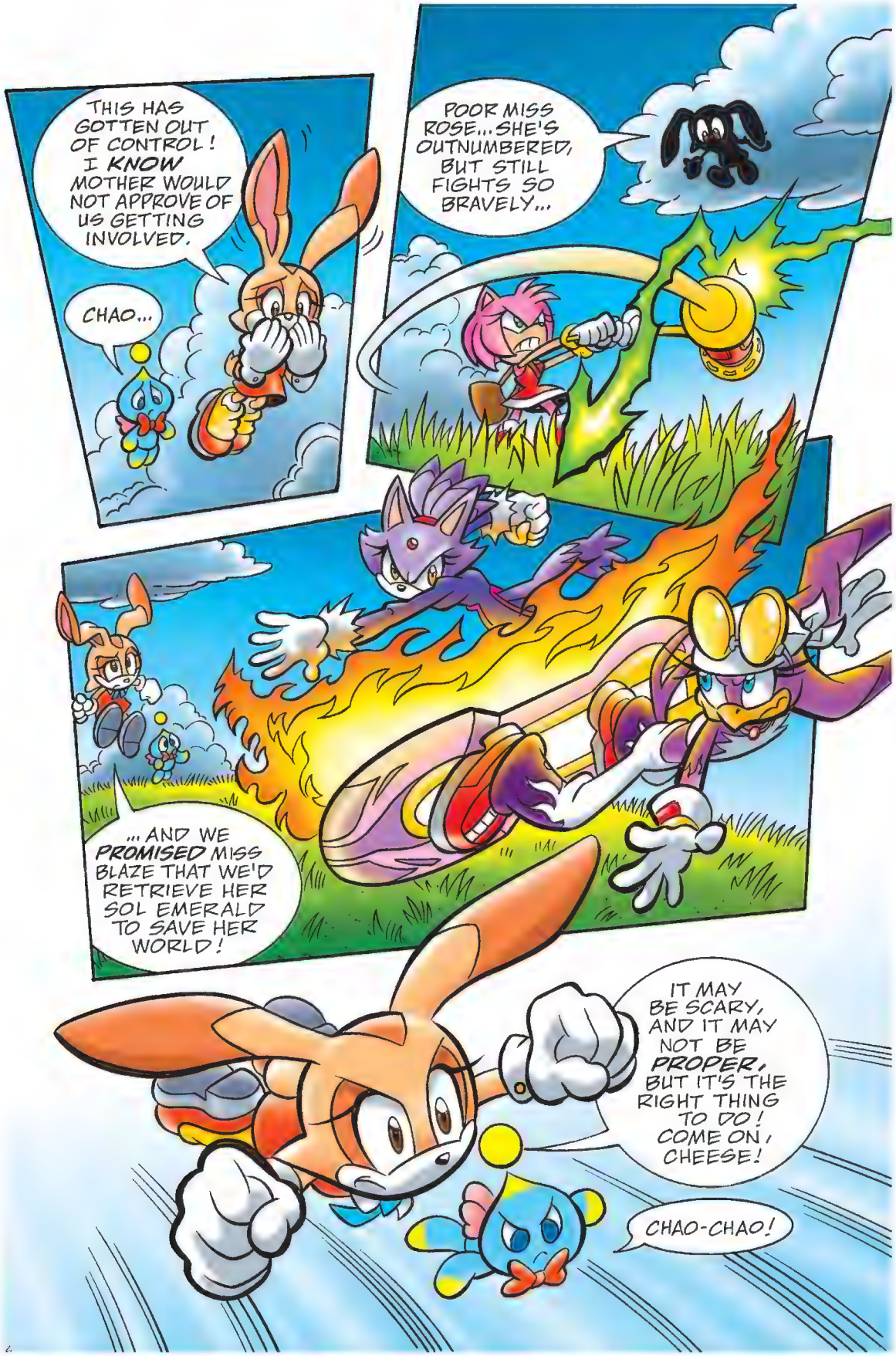
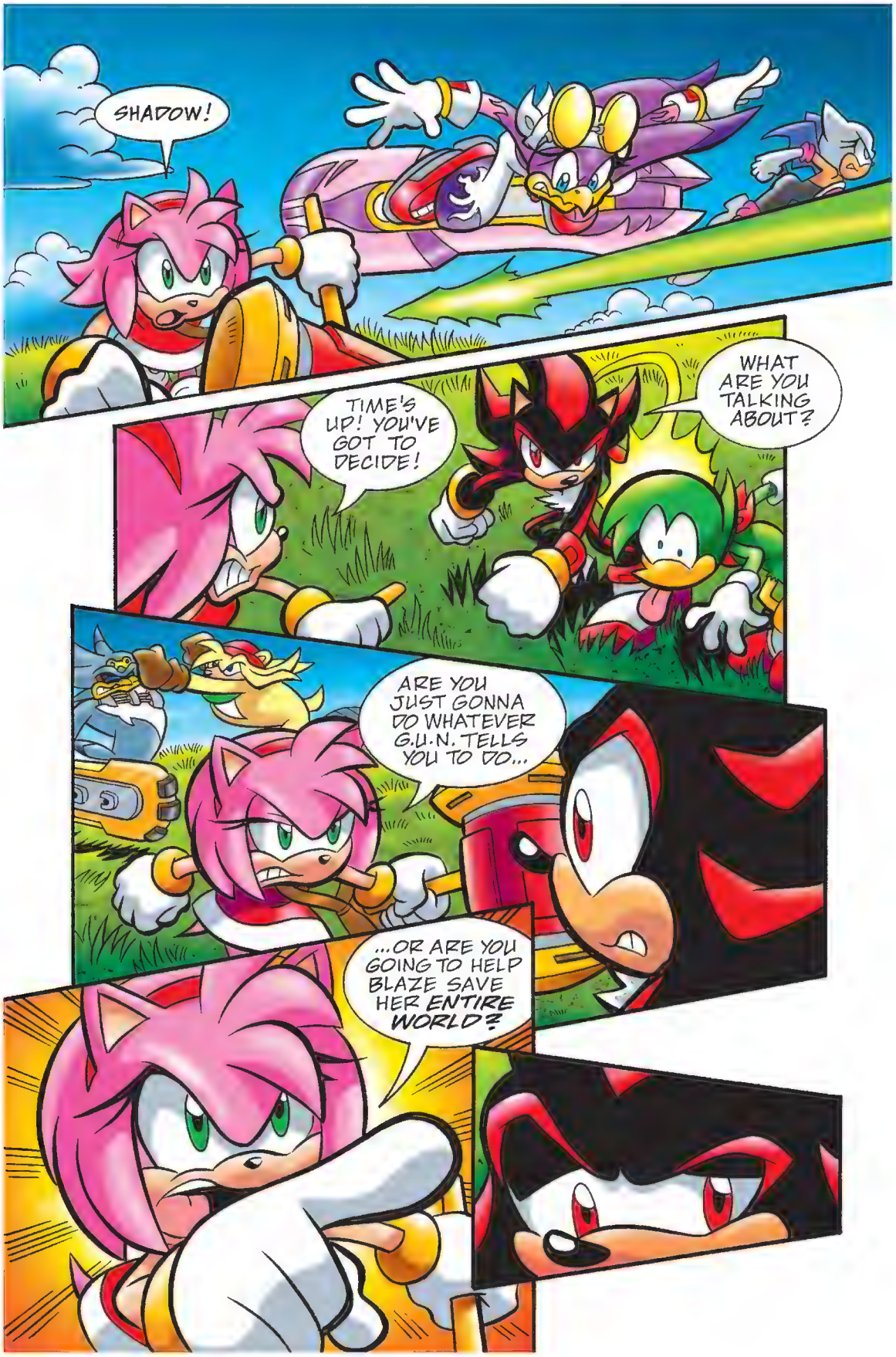
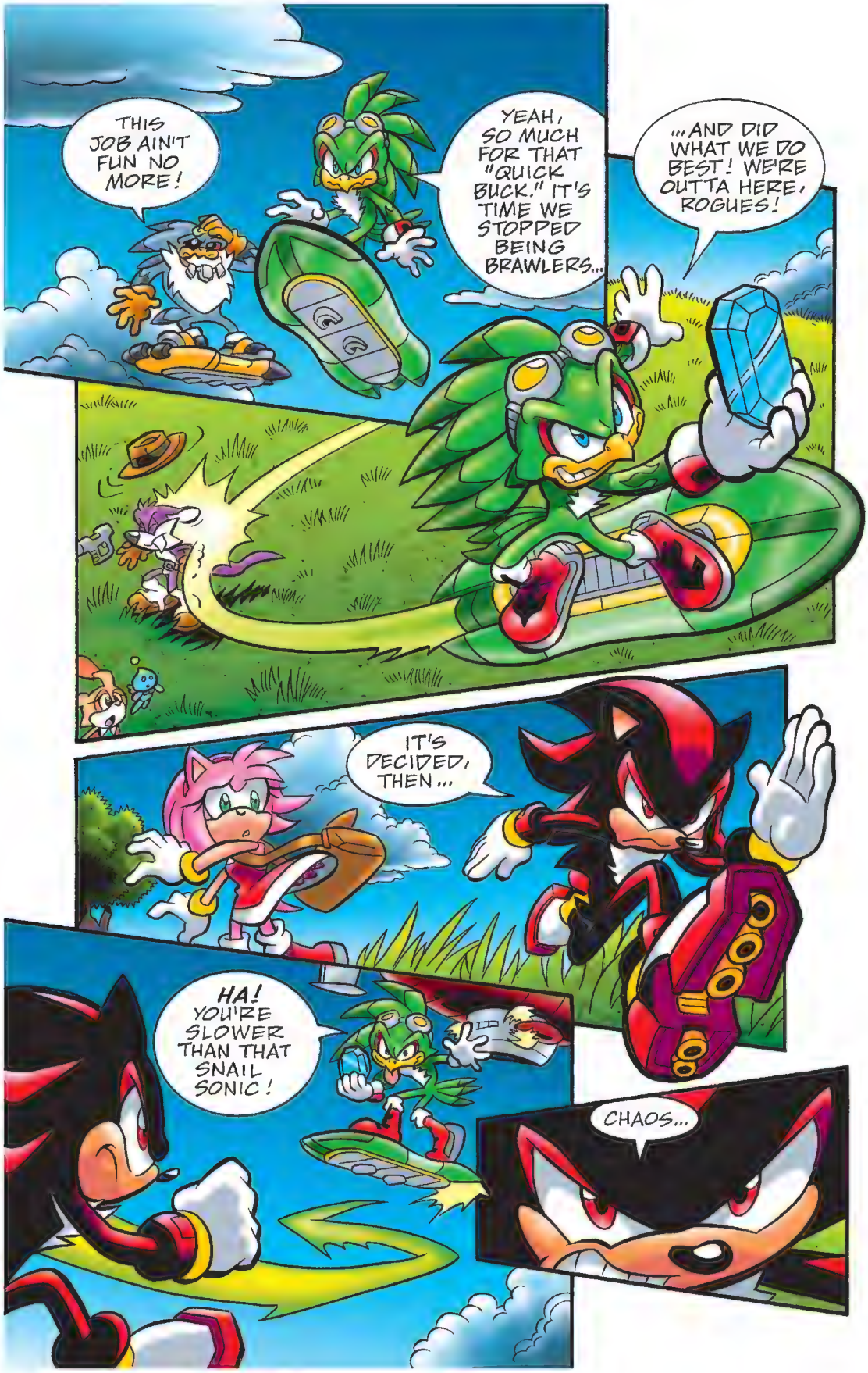

THIS HAS GOTTEN OUT OF CONTROL! I KNOW MOTHER WOULD NOT APPROVE OF US GETTING INVOLVED.
CHAO...
POOR MISS ROSE... SHE'S OUTNUMBERED, BUT STILL FIGHTS SO BRAVELY...
...AND WE PROMISED MISS BLAZE THAT WE'D RETRIEVE HER SOL EMERALD TO SAVE HER WORLD!
IT MAY BE SCARY, AND IT MAY NOT BE PROPER, BUT IT'S THE RIGHT THING TO DO! COME ON, CHEESE!
CHAO-CHAO!

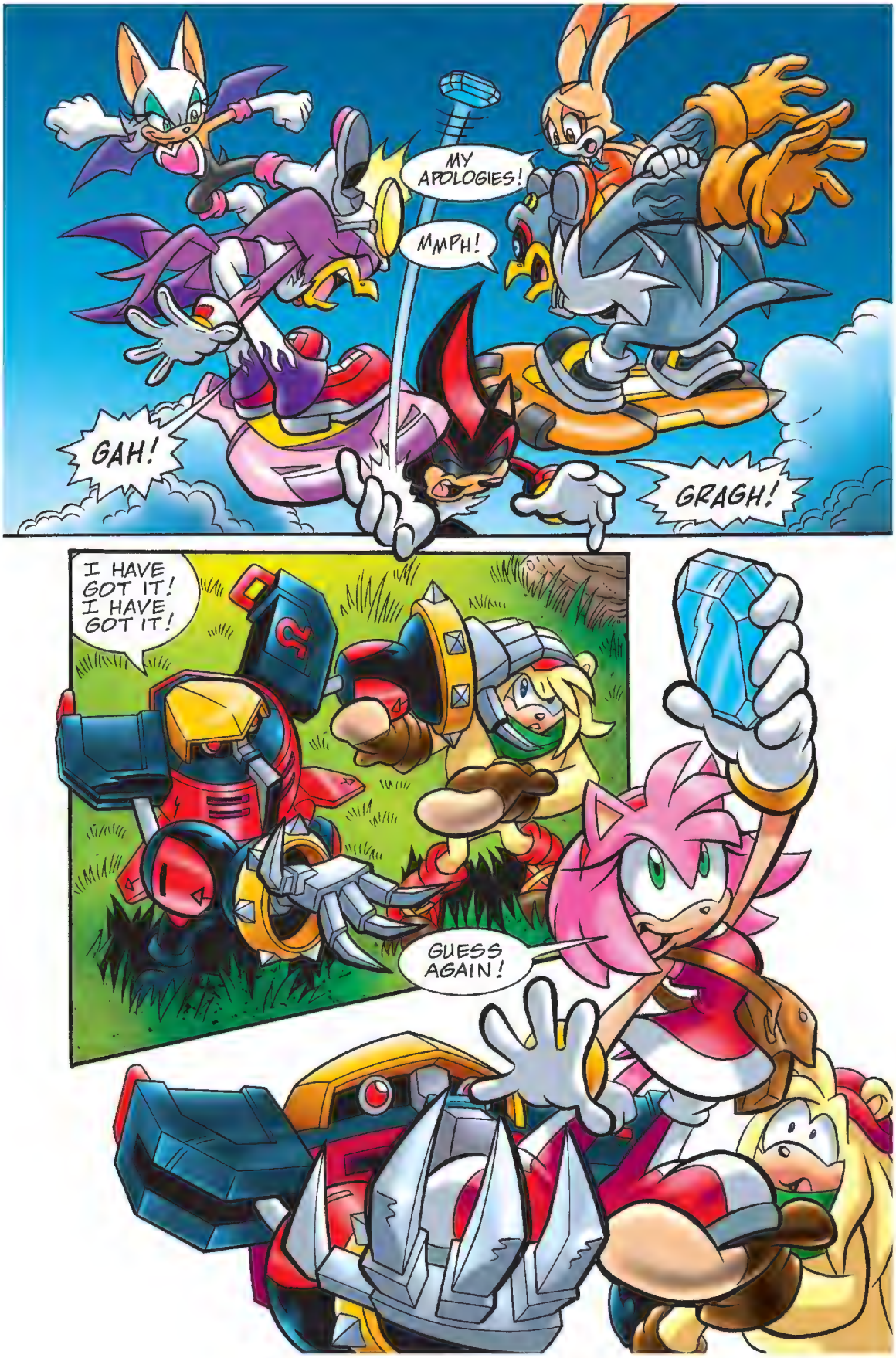
I OWE YOU FOR THAT MIGRAINE, TOOTS... *
*SONIC SAGA SERIES 6: MOGUL RISING
AMY! LOOK OUT!
GRNK!
GREAT TIMING, CREAM! C'MON, WE NEED TO REGROUP!
BLAZE! FORM UP! WE NEED A PLAN!

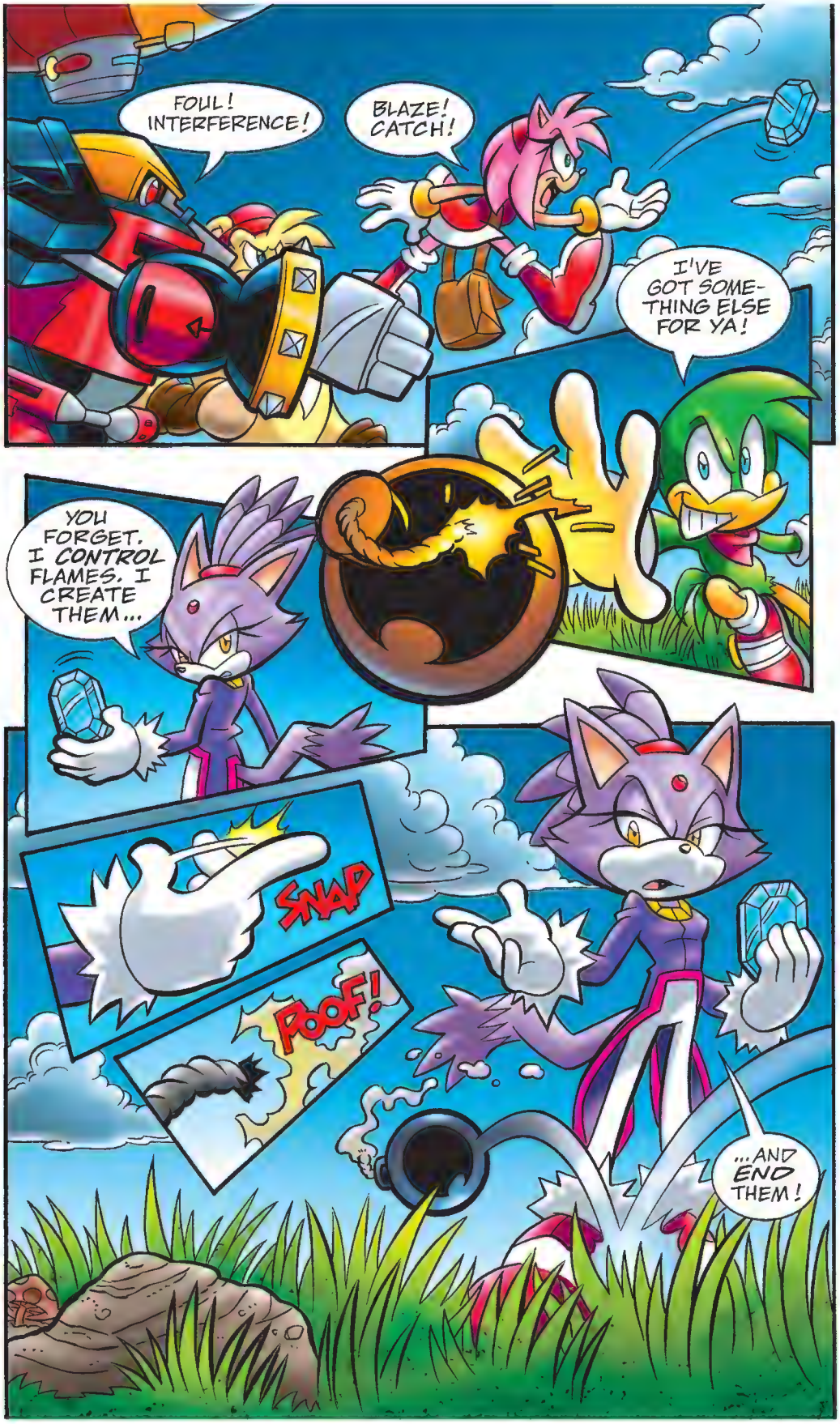
FWOOSH!
I'M SORRY YOU'RE INVOLVED IN THIS MADNESS, GIRLS. LEAVE ME. IT'S MY FIGHT. YOU SHOULD GET TO SAFETY.
HOW MANY TIMES DO I HAVE TO SAY IT? WE'RE IN THIS TOGETHER!
WE STARTED THIS AS A TEAM, AND WE WILL FINISH IT AS SUCH!
THANK YOU, GIRLS. I WILL NOT FORGET THIS!
SAVE THE MUSHY STUFF FOR LATER. KEEP EACH OTHER SAFE AND DON'T LET THE SOL EMERALD GET AWAY!
LET'S GO, LADIES!

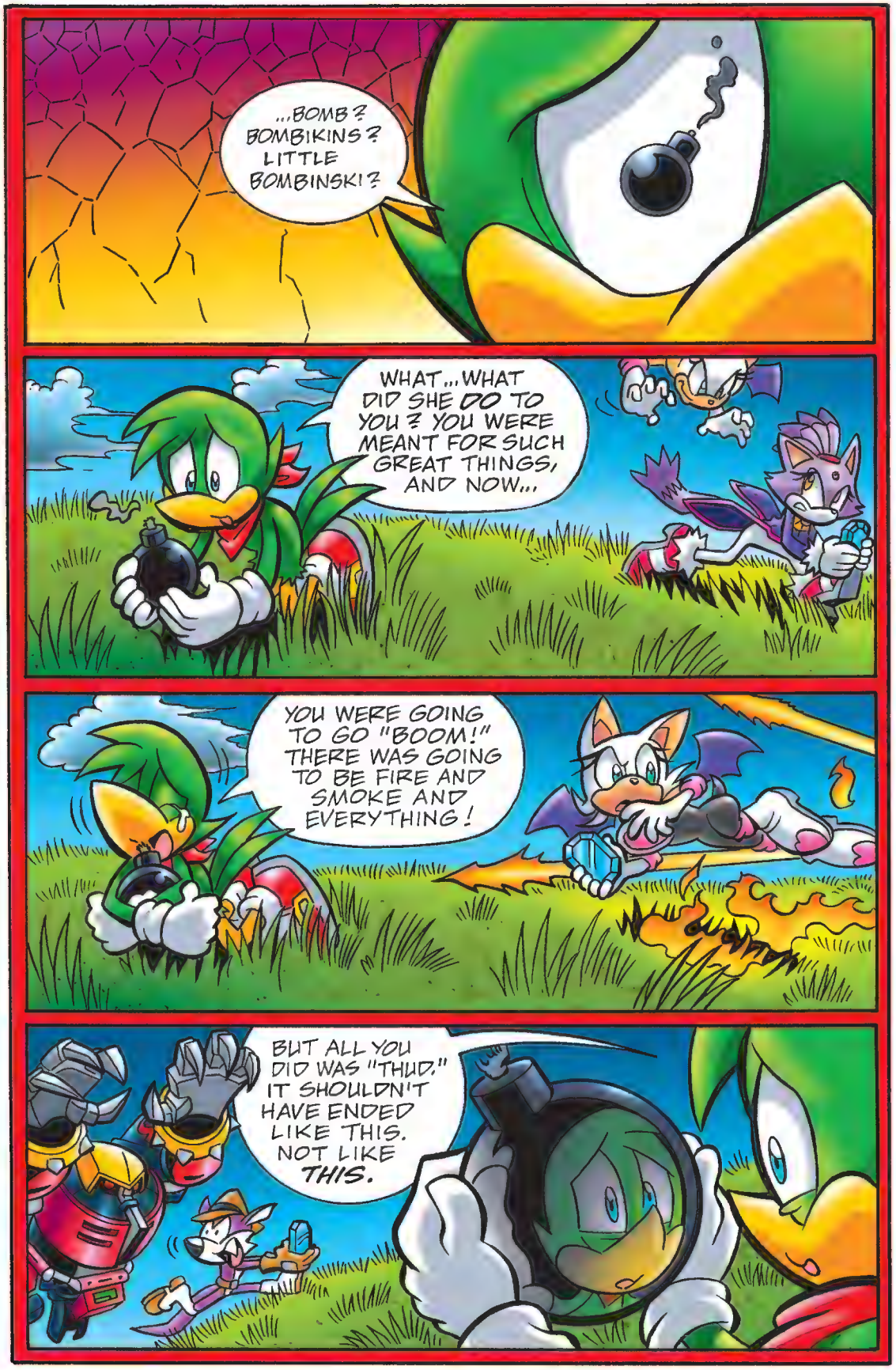

SHADOW!
TIME'S UP! YOU'VE GOT TO DECIDE!
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
ARE YOU JUST GONNA DO WHATEVER G.U.N. TELLS YOU TO DO...
...OR ARE YOU GOING TO HELP BLAZE SAVE HER ENTIRE WORLD?

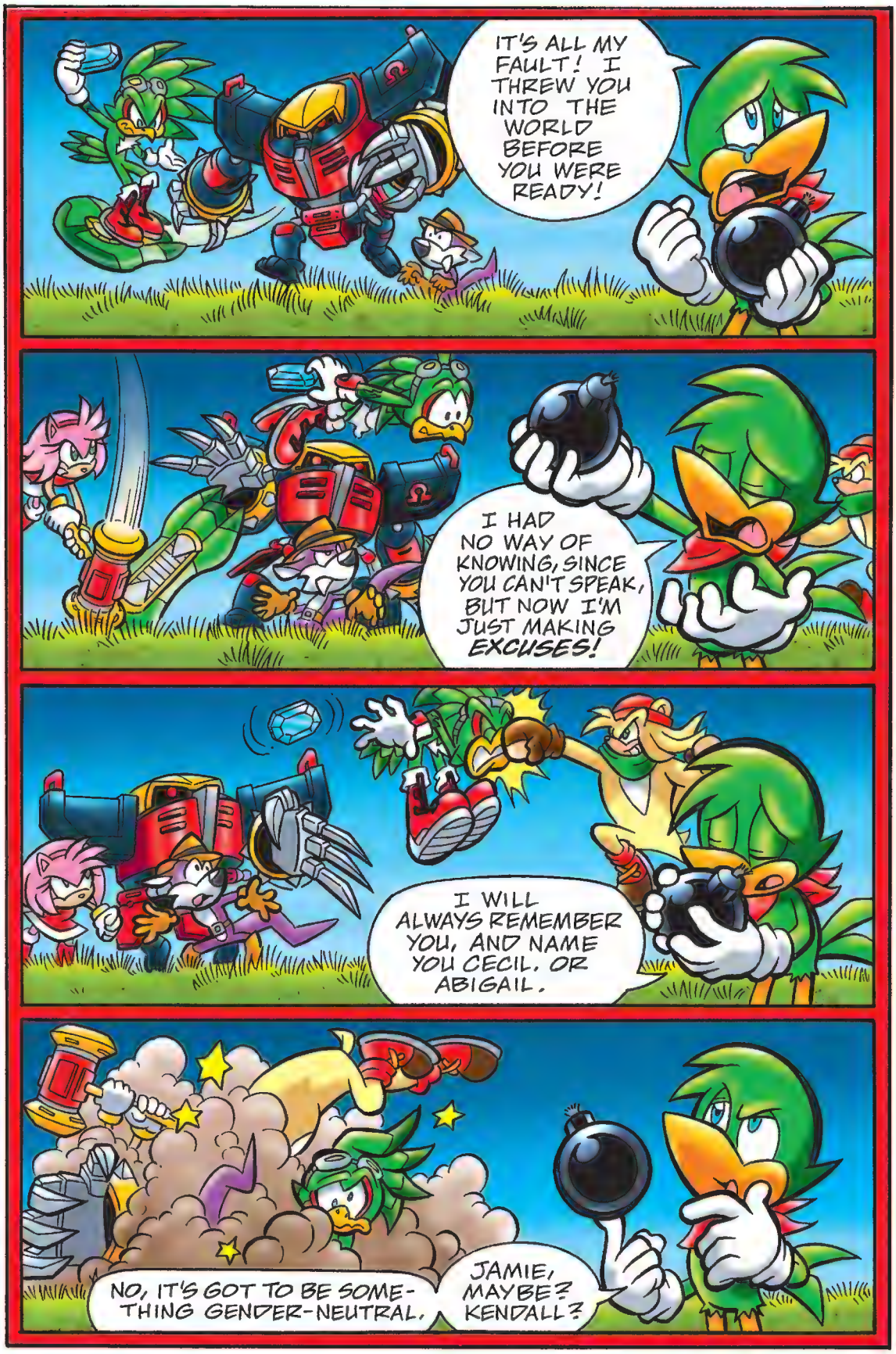

THIS JOB AIN'T FUN NO MORE!
YEAH, SO MUCH FOR THAT "QUICK BUCK." IT'S TIME WE STOPPED BEING BRAWLERS...
...AND DID WHAT WE DO BEST! WE'RE OUTTA HERE, ROGUES!
IT'S DECIDED, THEN...
HA! YOU'RE SLOWER THAN THAT SNAIL SONIC!
CHAOS...

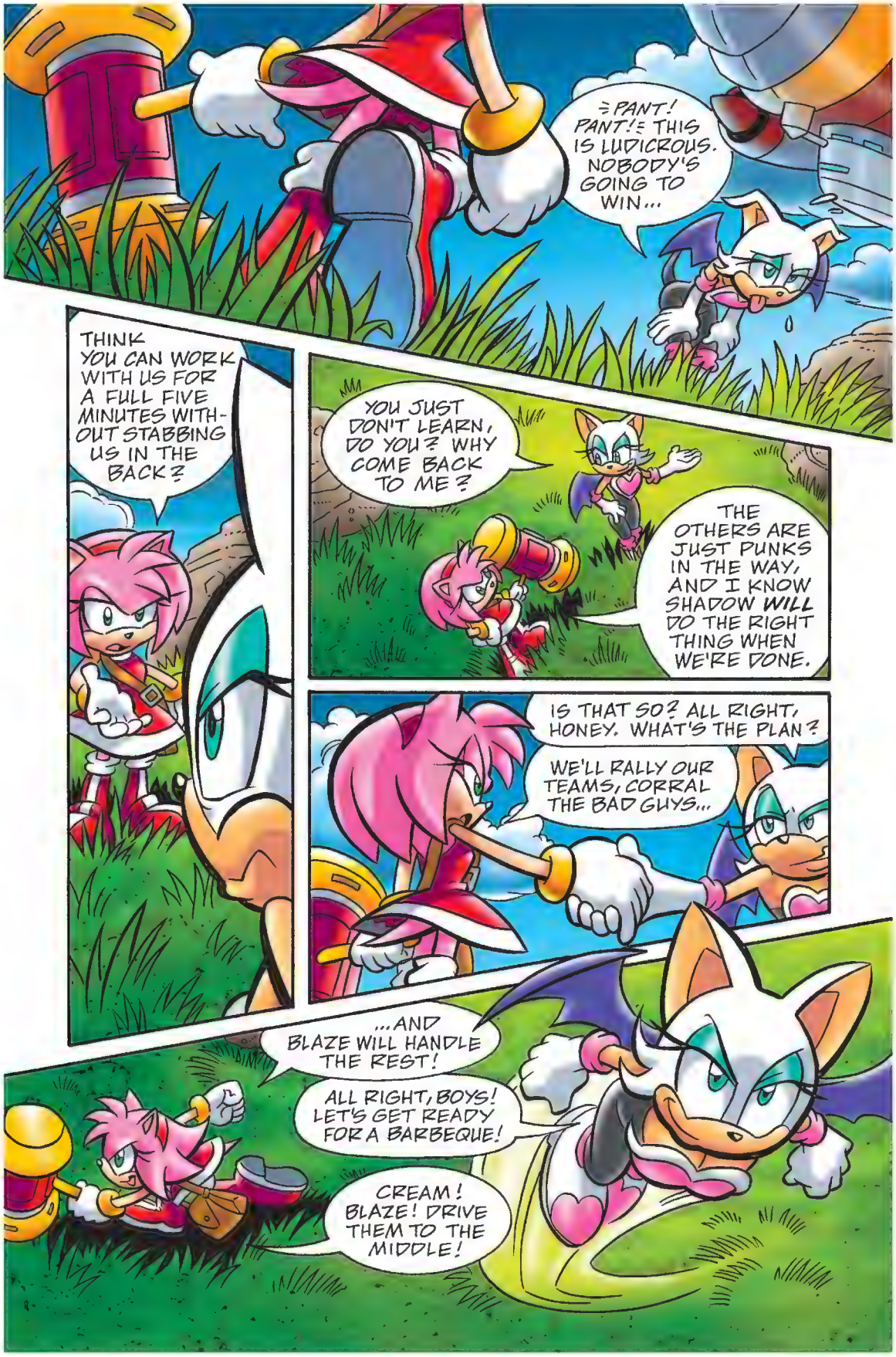
...CONTROL.
WHAJI--HUH?!
OOF!
WHOOPS. YOU'RE TOO SLOW.
Hmph. ALL TOO EASY.
NOBODY MESSES WITH THE BOSS!
WE MIGHT NOT HURT YOU IF--


MY APOLOGIES!
MMPH!
GAH!
GRAGH!
I HAVE GOT IT! I HAVE GOT IT!
GUESS AGAIN!


FOUL! INTERFERENCE!
BLAZE! CATCH!
I'VE GOT SOMETHING ELSE FOR YA!
YOU FORGET. I CONTROL FLAMES. I CREATE THEM...
SNAP
POOF!
...AND END THEM!


...BOMB? BOMBIKINS? LITTLE BOMBINSKI?
WHAT...WHAT DID SHE DO TO YOU? YOU WERE MEANT FOR SUCH GREAT THINGS, AND NOW...
YOU WERE GOING TO GO "BOOM!" THERE WAS GOING TO BE FIRE AND SMOKE AND EVERYTHING!
BUT ALL YOU DID WAS "THUD." IT SHOULDN'T HAVE ENDED LIKE THIS. NOT LIKE THIS.

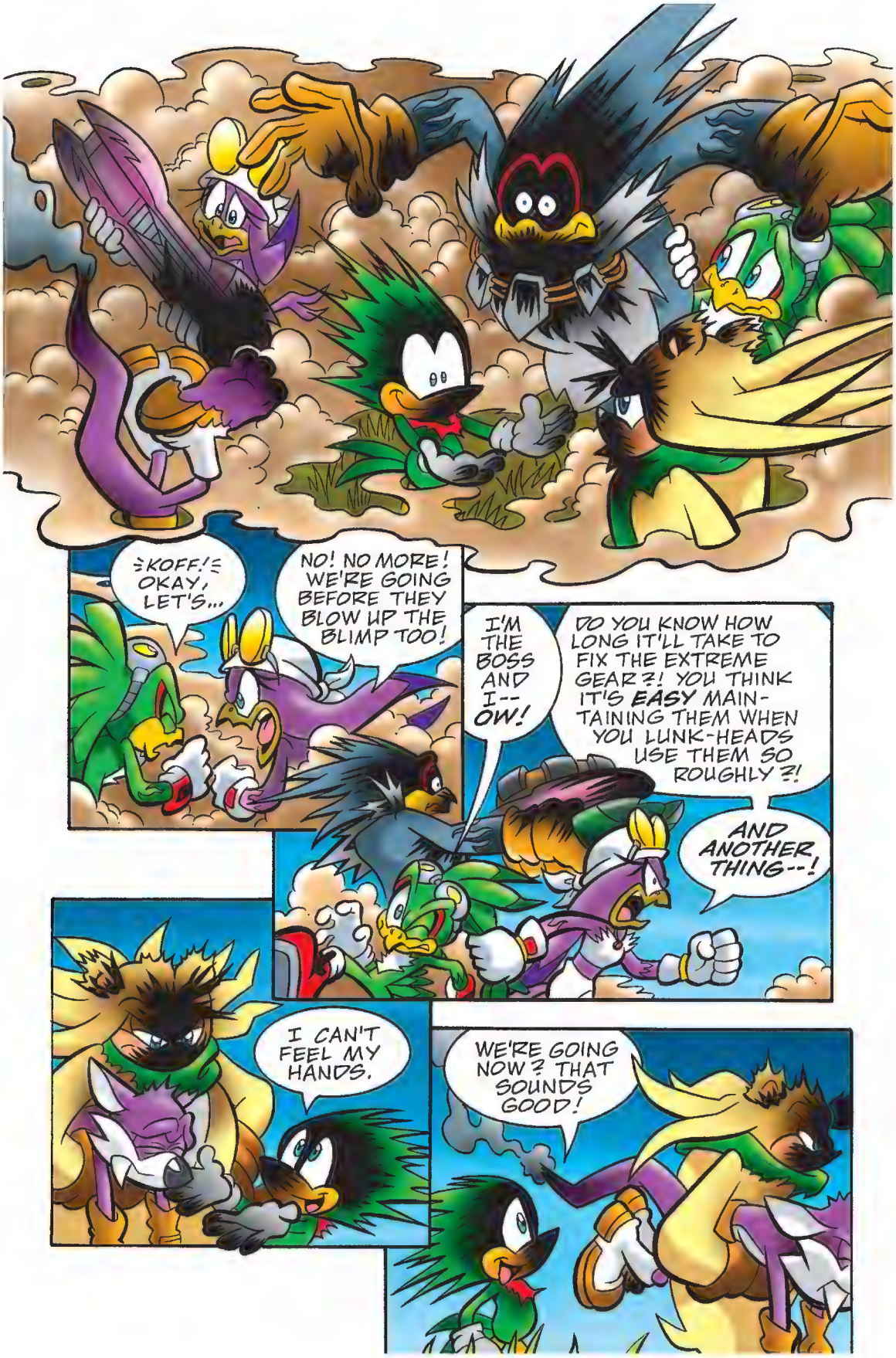

IT'S ALL MY FAULT! I THREW YOU INTO THE WORLD BEFORE YOU WERE READY!
I HAD NO WAY OF KNOWING, SINCE YOU CAN'T SPEAK, BUT NOW I'M JUST MAKING EXCUSES!
I WILL ALWAYS REMEMBER YOU, AND NAME YOU CECIL, OR ABIGAIL.
NO, IT'S GOT TO BE SOMETHING GENDER-NEUTRAL.
JAMIE, MAYBE? KENDALL?

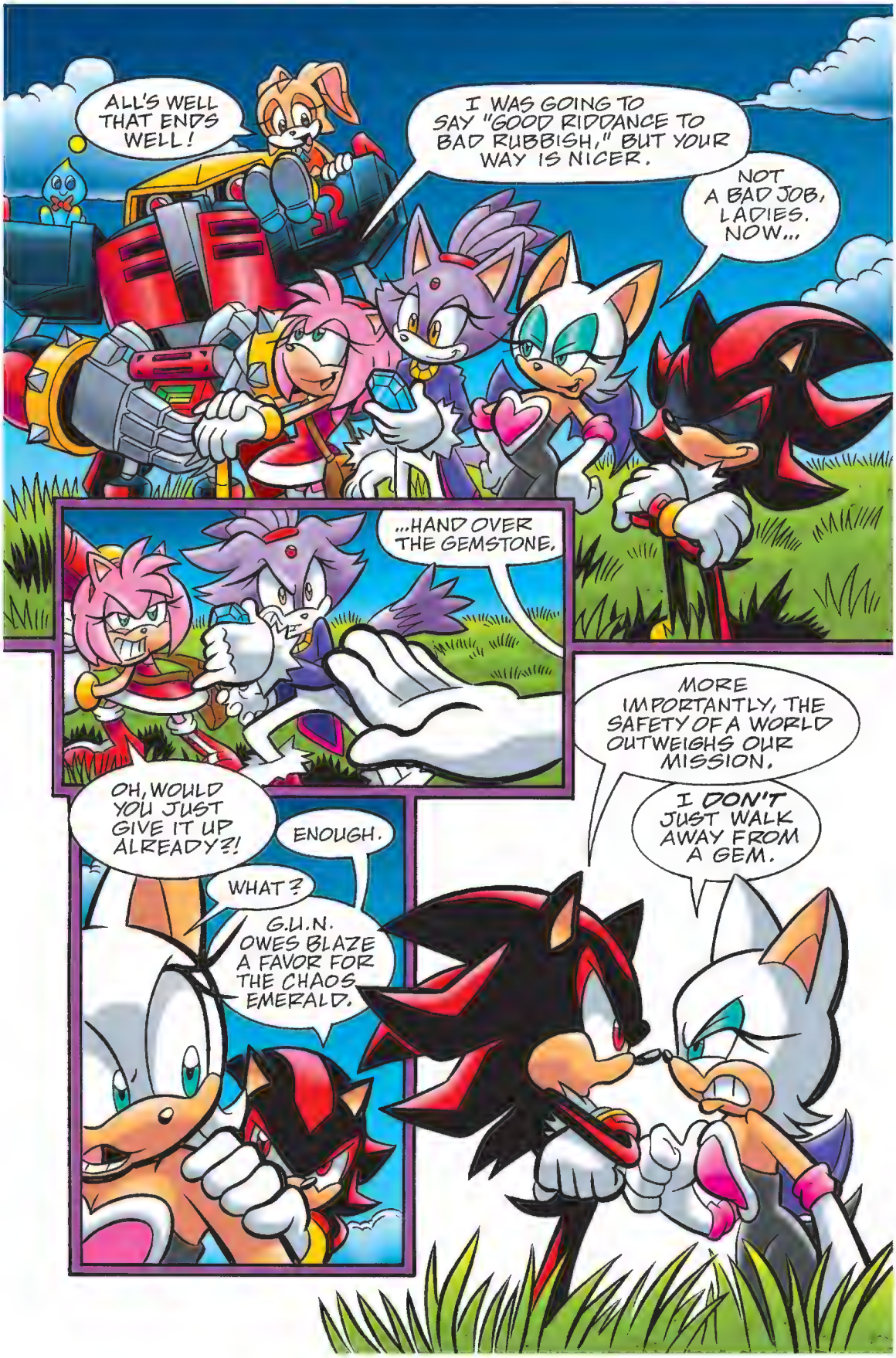

=PANT! PANT!= THIS IS LUDICROUS. NOBODY'S GOING TO WIN...
THINK YOU CAN WORK WITH US FOR A FULL FIVE MINUTES WITHOUT STABBING US IN THE BACK?
YOU JUST DON'T LEARN, DO YOU? WHY COME BACK TO ME?
THE OTHERS ARE JUST PUNKS IN THE WAY, AND I KNOW SHADOW WILL DO THE RIGHT THING WHEN WE'RE DONE.
IS THAT SO? ALL RIGHT, HONEY. WHAT'S THE PLAN?
WE'LL RALLY OUR TEAMS, CORRAL THE BAD GUYS...
...AND BLAZE WILL HANDLE THE REST!
ALL RIGHT, BOYS! LET'S GET READY FOR A BARBEQUE!
CREAM! BLAZE! DRIVE THEM TO THE MIDDLE!

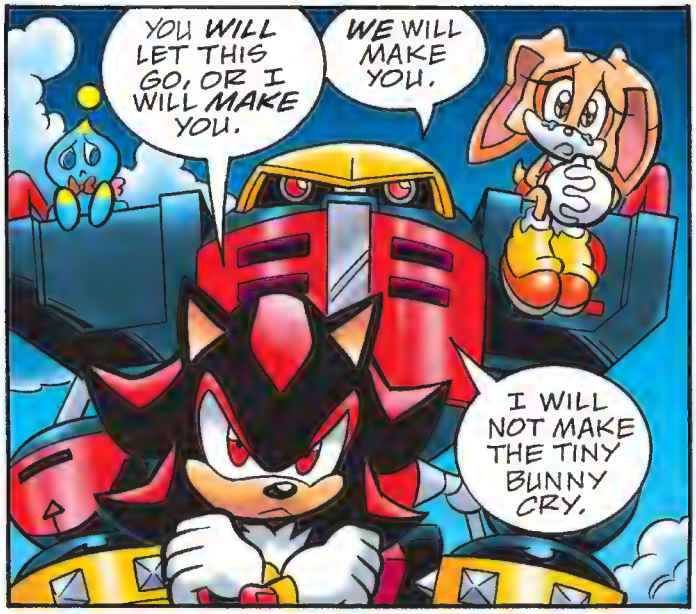
HEY! IT'S A BIG SKY! GIVE ME MY SPACE!
HAHAHA!
NOT A CHANCE!
PUNY AIRBOARDS ARE NO MATCH FOR RAW ROCKET POWER!
QUIT IT WITH THE TELE-PORTING!
SOMEONE CATCH ME--!
OW!
OOF!

I TOOK DOWN SONIC THE HEDGEHOG! MORE THAN ONCE! WHY DO YOU DAMES GIVE ME SUCH A HARD TIME?!
OH STOP WHINING.
SALLY DIDN'T HIT YOU THAT HARD!
BACK! BACK! JOIN THE OTHER VERMIN!
RIGHT THIS WAY, MR. DUCK. WE'RE GOING TO MEET WITH YOUR FRIENDS.
YES. JAMIE-KENDALL DUCKINGTONWORTH III WOULD'VE LIKED THAT...
WAIT... WHAT'S GOING ON?!

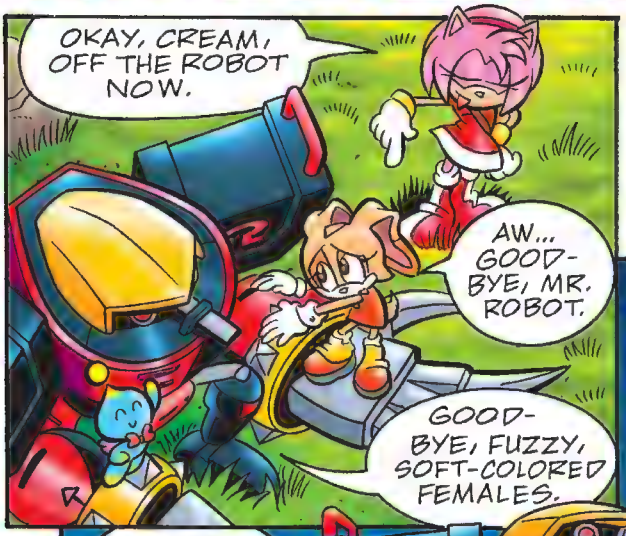
NOW, YOUR HIGHNESS, AS WE PLANNED?
OF COURSE, MS. ROSE.
SNAP!
KSSKT!
J.K.! YOU CAME BACK!
KA BOOM

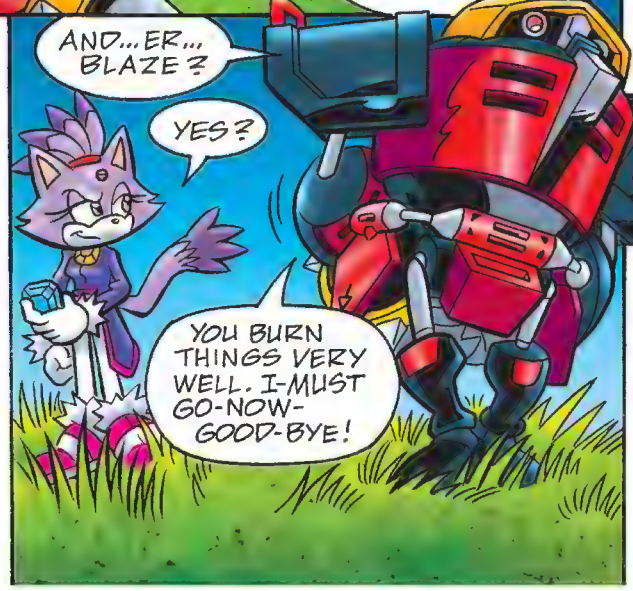

=KOFF!= OKAY, LET'S...
NO! NO MORE! WE'RE GOING BEFORE THEY BLOW UP THE BLIMP TOO!
I'M THE BOSS AND I-- OW!
DO YOU KNOW HOW LONG IT'LL TAKE TO FIX THE EXTREME GEAR?! YOU THINK IT'S EASY MAINTAINING THEM WHEN YOU LUNK-HEADS USE THEM SO ROUGHLY?!
AND ANOTHER THING--!
I CAN'T FEEL MY HANDS.
WE'RE GOING NOW? THAT SOUNDS GOOD!


ALL'S WELL THAT ENDS WELL!
I WAS GOING TO SAY "GOOD RIDDANCE TO BAD RUBBISH," BUT YOUR WAY IS NICER.
NOT A BAD JOB, LADIES. NOW...
...HAND OVER THE GEMSTONE.
OH, WOULD YOU JUST GIVE IT UP ALREADY?!
ENOUGH.
WHAT?
G.U.N. OWES BLAZE A FAVOR FOR THE CHAOS EMERALD.
MORE IMPORTANTLY, THE SAFETY OF A WORLD OUTWEIGHS OUR MISSION.
I DON'T JUST WALK AWAY FROM A GEM.


YOU WILL LET THIS GO, OR I WILL MAKE YOU.
WE WILL MAKE YOU.
I WILL NOT MAKE THE TINY BUNNY CRY.

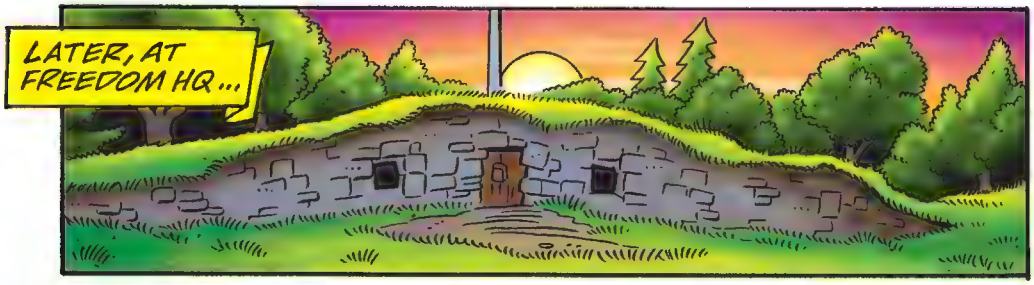
FINE.
BUT I'M NOT A "GOOD LOSER."
DULY NOTED.

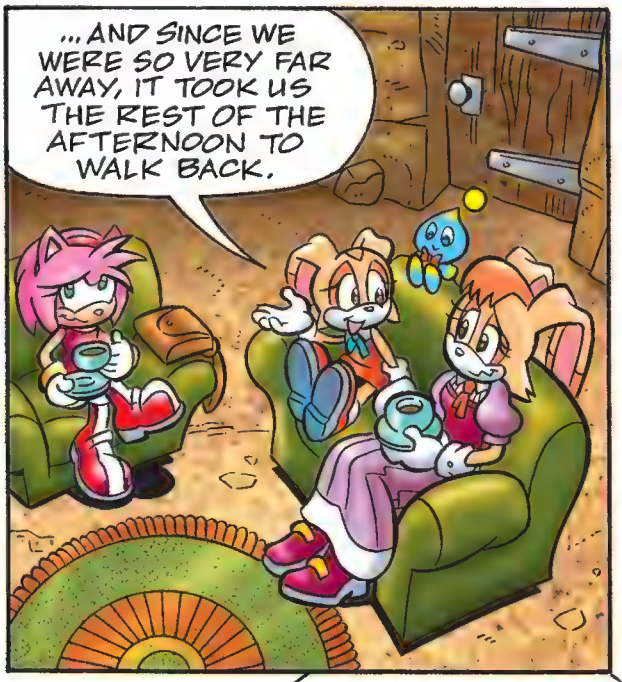

OKAY, CREAM, OFF THE ROBOT NOW.
AW... GOOD-BYE, MR. ROBOT.
GOOD-BYE, FUZZY, SOFT-COLORED FEMALES.

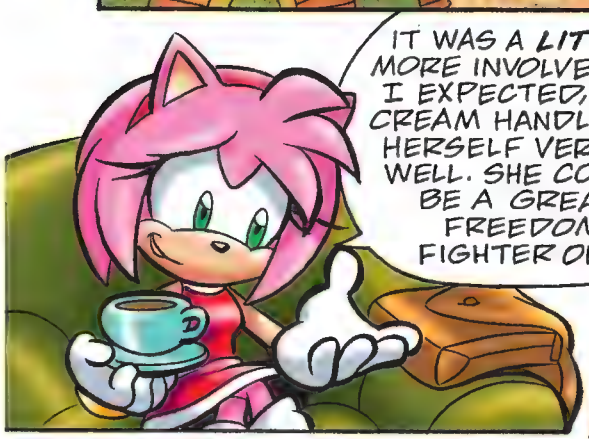

AND...ER... BLAZE?
YES?
YOU BURN THINGS VERY WELL. I-MUST GO-NOW-GOOD-BYE!

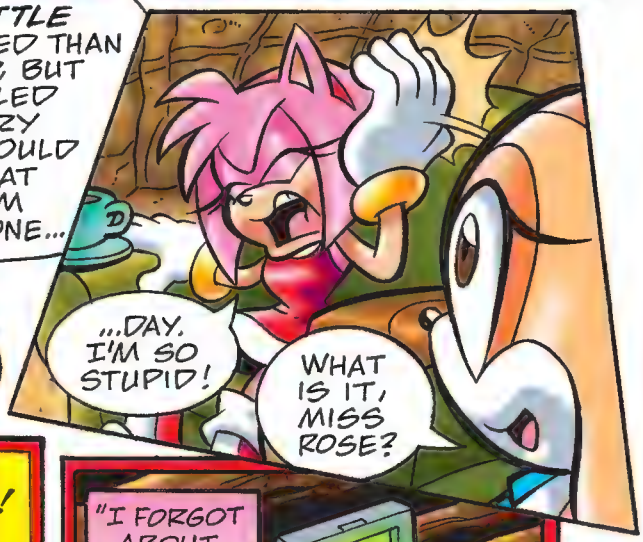
SO, SMART GUY, WHAT DO WE TELL THE COMMANDER?
YOU'RE THE CUNNING SPY. YOU'LL THINK OF SOME-THING.

SO SHADOW HELPED ME AFTER ALL. PERHAPS HE ISN'T SO BAD.
HE'S NO SONIC, BUT HE'LL DO IN A PINCH.
THANK YOU, AMY. SONIC AND TAILS SPOKE OF THE HEROISM OF THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS, AND YOU'VE PROVED EVERY WORD OF IT TRUE.
MY PLEASURE, BLAZE. WE'LL HAVE TO KICK BUTT TOGETHER AGAIN SOME DAY!
I'LL MISS YOU, BLAZE! COME VISIT US SOON!
HA-HA! AS SOON AS MY QUEST IS OVER, YOU TWO WILL BE THE FIRST TO HEAR FROM ME.
NOW TO SEE IF I CAN GET HOME WITHOUT RUNNING AFOUL OF THE ZONE COPS...
FWA-KOOM!









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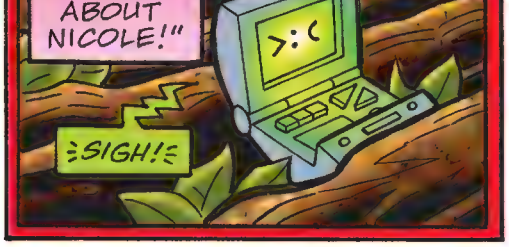

ANGEL ISLAND

KNUCKLES the ECHIDNA
MASTER EMERALD PROTECTOR

SHADOW the HEDGEHOG
CHAOS-FUELED WARRIOR

TOTAL ECLIPSE

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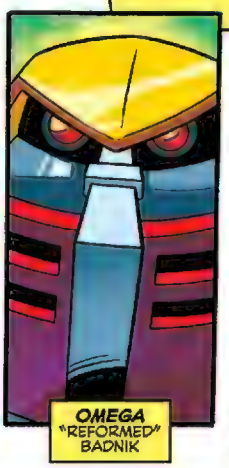

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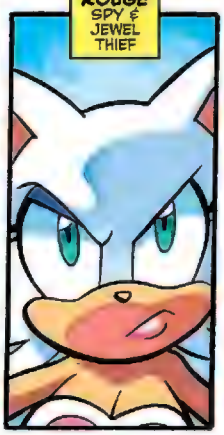

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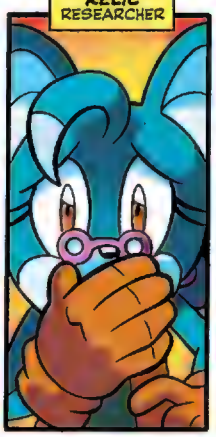


RELIC
RESEARCHER

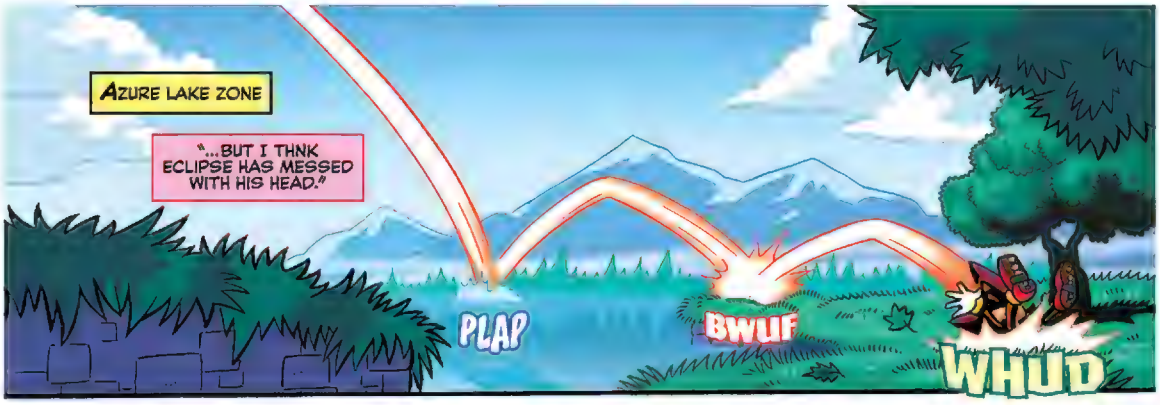
FIXIT
ANCIENT ROBOT

WE HAVE TO SECURE THE MASTER EMERALD! IT'S NOT SAFE HERE!
IT STAYS RIGHT HERE!
ECLIPSE IS YOUR PROBLEM!
IT'S YOUR FAULT HE'S HERE!
SO DEAL WITH HIM!

THIS IS A WASTE OF MY TIME.
FWASH
FWASH
TEAM DARK-- HEAD BACK TO THE SHUTTLE.
I WILL USE CHAOS CONTROL TO MOVE THE MASTER EMERALD AND MEET YOU THERE.
NO!
I WON'T LET YOU--!
GET.
OUT.
OF.
MY.
WAY.
SHADOW! STAND DOWN! THIS IS GETTING OUT OF CONTROL!
IGNORE HER! DO IT!!

CLUD
!
THANKS, RELIC.
BE RIGHT BACK.
GOTTA GO BREAK A FACE.
KNUCKLES! WAIT! DON'T LEAVE ME WITH--!

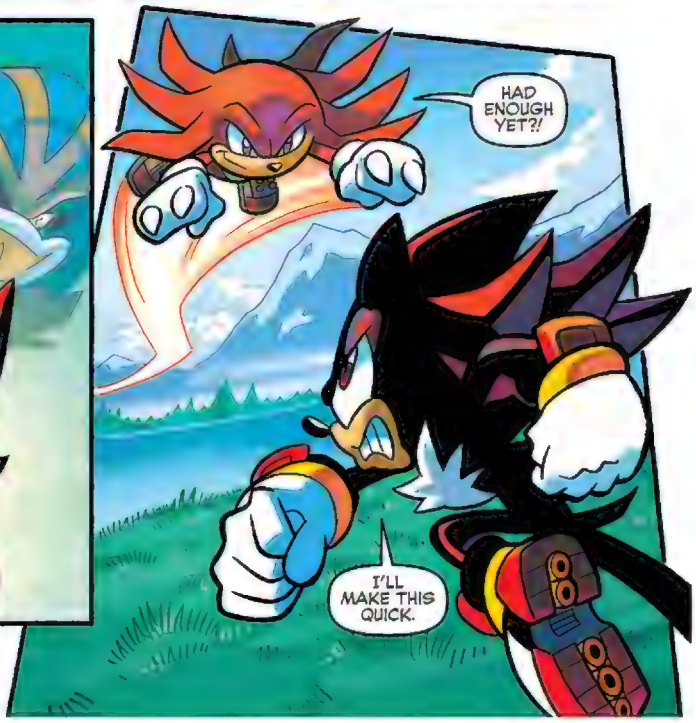
--THEM.
Y-YOU ALL STAY WHERE YOU ARE! I WARN YOU--I'VE READ ABOUT MANY FORMS OF MARTIAL ARTS!
SHE'S A LOYAL FRIEND TO THAT RED BUFFOON, I'LL GIVE HER THAT. NOW LET'S SECURE THE MASTER EMERALD WHILE SHADOW--ER--DISTRACTS KNUCKLES.
THE TINY NERDY ONE BELIEVES SHE CAN COMBAT ME. LOGGING THIS UNDER "HILARIOUS."
NO. WE'RE HOLDING OUR POSITION UNTIL THOSE TWO IDIOTS TIRE THEMSELVES OUT. THEN WE'LL DISCUSS OUR NEXT MOVE.
YOU CAN'T BE SERIOUS! IT'S RIGHT THERE!
YOU HEARD ME!
I RESPECT KNUCKLES, AND HE DESERVES A SAY. AND SHADOW ...WELL, HE CAN BE JUST AS STUBBORN...

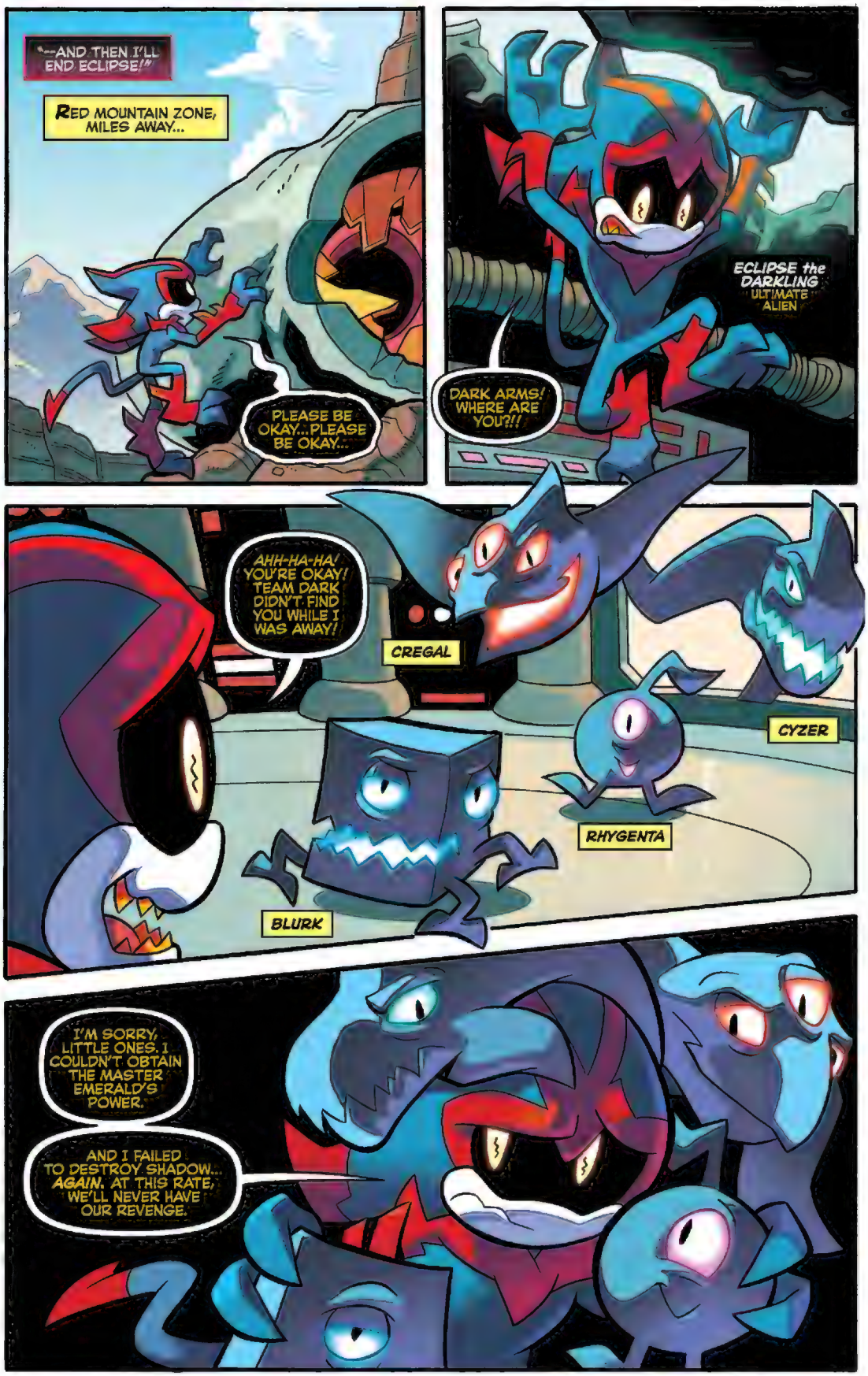

AZURE LAKE ZONE
"...BUT I THNK ECLIPSE HAS MESSED WITH HIS HEAD."
PLAP
BWUF
WHUD

HAHAHAHA! YOU'RE GETTING TROUNCED!
SHUT UP! YOU'RE NOT HERE. JUST A VOICE. IT'LL PASS.

AM I A LINGERING PSYCHIC ATTACK? OR YOUR SUBCONSCIOUS REALIZING YOU'RE PATHETIC?
FOCUS. STOP KNUCKLES. SAVE THE WORLD.

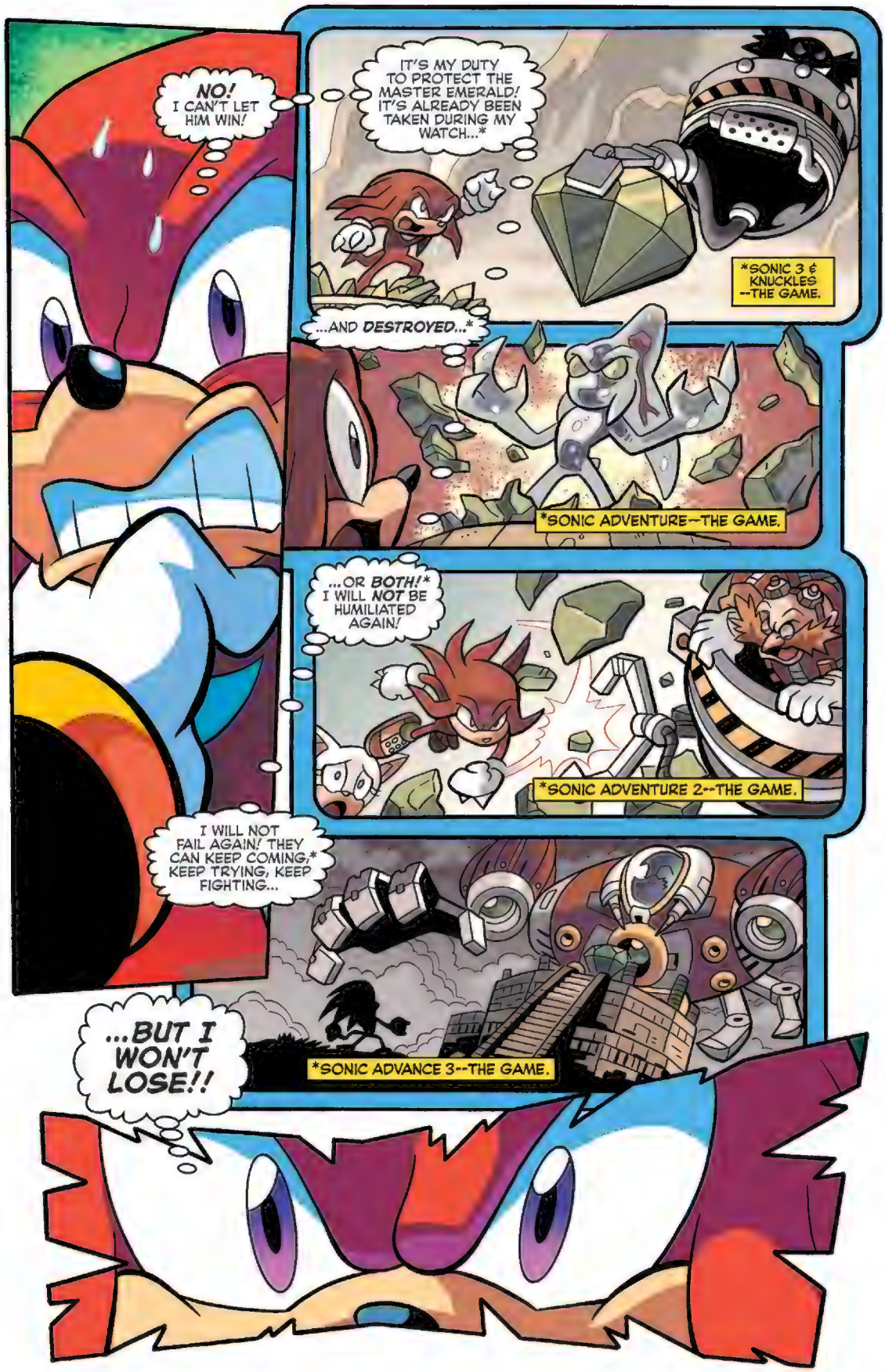
HAHAHA! WHILE HE WASTES YOUR TIME FIGHTING, I'LL COME BACK FOR THE MASTER EMERALD!
AND THEN YOUR PRECIOUS WORLD WILL BURN! ALL BECAUSE KNUCKLES WOULDN'T LISTEN!


HAD ENOUGH YET?!
I'LL MAKE THIS QUICK.


"--AND THEN I'LL END ECLIPSE!"
RED MOUNTAIN ZONE, MILES AWAY...
PLEASE BE OKAY...PLEASE BE OKAY...
ECLIPSE the DARKLING ULTIMATE ALIEN
DARK ARMS! WHERE ARE YOU?!!
AHH-HA-HA! YOU'RE OKAY! TEAM DARK DIDN'T FIND YOU WHILE I WAS AWAY!
CREGAL
CYZER
RHYGENTA
BLURK
I'M SORRY, LITTLE ONES. I COULDN'T OBTAIN THE MASTER EMERALD'S POWER.
AND I FAILED TO DESTROY SHADOW... AGAIN. AT THIS RATE, WE'LL NEVER HAVE OUR REVENGE.

!!!!!!
!
!
!
WHAT?
YOU WANT TO HELP ME FIGHT? BUT YOU'RE STILL SO YOUNG AND--
THIS HAD BETTER BE WORTH IT. WE HAD TO GO WELL OUT OF OUR WAY TO CULTIVATE THOSE WISPS FOR YOUR SCHEME.
AND TO LEAVE IT TEEMING WITH LIFE FEELS... UNNATURAL.
WE CAN HARVEST THEIR WORLD LATER.
YOU'LL SEE, MASTER. THE POWER THAT MY DARK ARMS WILL GIVE OUR FORCES WILL PAY OFF TENFOLD!
FWO-BOOM
...YOU'RE RIGHT. THIS IS AS MUCH YOUR FIGHT AS MINE. AND YOU'VE GROWN SO MUCH ALREADY...
YES! I BRED YOU TO BE MY PERFECT WEAPONS. SO LET THE SLAUGHTER BEGIN!

HERE YOU GO! THE WORLD YOU'RE ABOUT TO DEVOUR!
STAY CLOSE TO ME! FOLLOW MY EVERY ORDER! OH-HO-HO— BRACE YOURSELF FOR ROUND TWO, "BROTHER"...
"...WE'RE GOING TO TEAR YOU APART!"
WHUD
GAK!


NO! I CAN'T LET HIM WIN!
IT'S MY DUTY TO PROTECT THE MASTER EMERALD! IT'S ALREADY BEEN TAKEN DURING MY WATCH...*
*SONIC 3 & KNUCKLES --THE GAME.
...AND DESTROYED...*
*SONIC ADVENTURE--THE GAME.
...OR BOTH!* I WILL NOT BE HUMILIATED AGAIN!
*SONIC ADVENTURE 2--THE GAME.
I WILL NOT FAIL AGAIN! THEY CAN KEEP COMING,* KEEP TRYING, KEEP FIGHTING...
*SONIC ADVANCE 3--THE GAME.
...BUT I WON'T LOSE!!

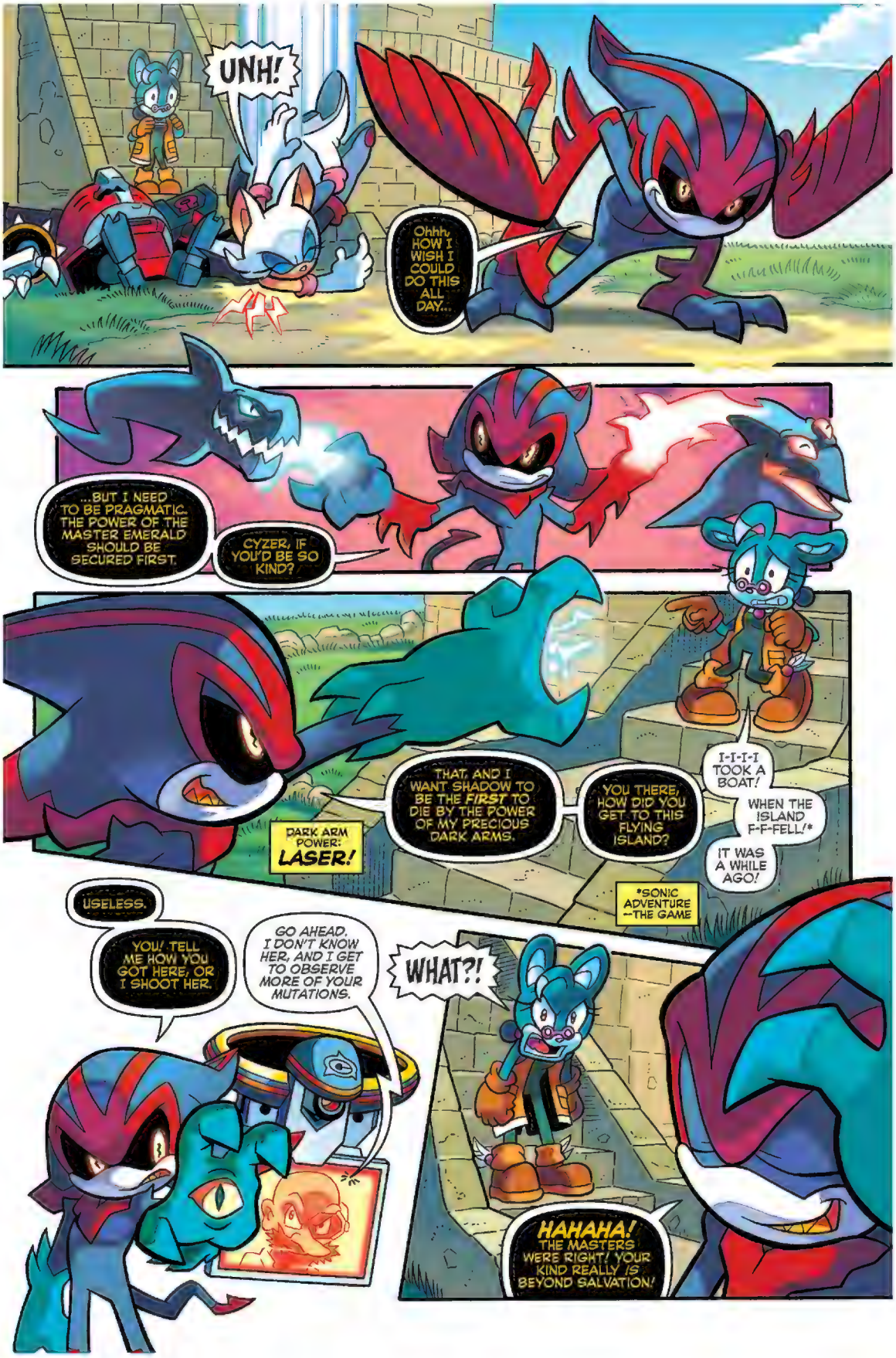
THWAKK
THUD
SO...YOU CAN DO MORE THAN PUNCH...
VREEEEEEE
WHOOM

Huff SOME "ULTIMATE LIFEFORM" YOU ARE. SONIC PUT UP MORE OF A FIGHT.
THOK
FWASH
FWASH
ARGH!
FWASH
...NO, WAIT--
THERE! GOTCHA!
FWASH

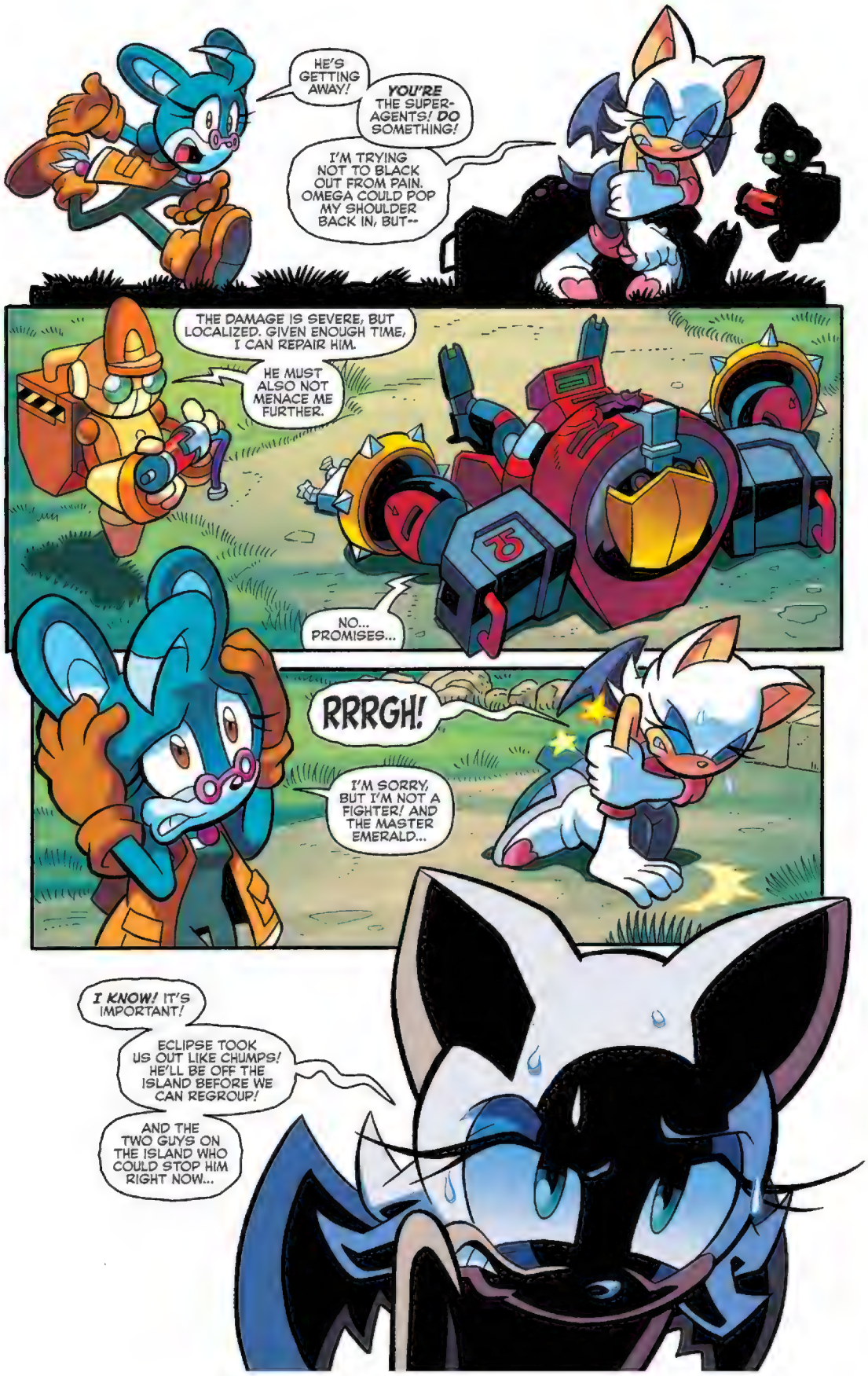
MEANWHILE, BACK ON SHRINE ISLE...
MUST YOU ANTAGONIZE HIM LIKE THAT?
YES. IT IS MY FUNCTION.
IT IS NOT! PLEASE PUT HIM DOWN!
...HELP, PLEASE...
WHEN I TELL THE COMMANDER HOW YOU WASTED TIME AND ENDANGERED THE SAFETY OF OUR WORLD...!
THE WORLD IS SHATTERED RIGHT NOW. SAVE YOUR BREATH. WE'RE WAITING FOR SHADOW AND KNUCKLES TO COME BACK. THAT'S FINAL.
SUCH DECISIVENESS!
PERHAPS I'LL GLEAN THAT TRAIT FROM YOU AFTER I'VE CONSUMED YOU?
TARGET ACQUIRED! I DETECTED IT FIRST!
DIBS!
BLURK-- TO ME!
EVERYONE ELSE-- SCATTER!
DARK ARM POWER: ARMOR!
BUDDA-BUDDDA-BUDDA-BUDDA

DESIRED EFFECT NOT OBTAINED. ATTEMPTING EVISCER-ATION!
KRASH
KZZT
WARNING! NEW MUTATION HARDNESS SURPASSES ARMOR THRESHOLD!
Ooh! THIS LOOKS IMPORTANT!
KZZT ENGAGING... BACK-UP... KZZT
OMEGA!
RELIC! FIXIT! HIDE!
Hrm...CAN'T REACH YOU UP THERE...
CREGAL! NOW!

DARK ARM POWER: WING!
SINCE WHEN COULD HE--?!
HAHA! NOT BAD FOR SUCH STUBBY WINGS!
WE'LL SEE IF YOU'RE STILL LAUGHING AFTER I KICK YOUR GROSS TEETH IN!
WHOOSH
AUGH!

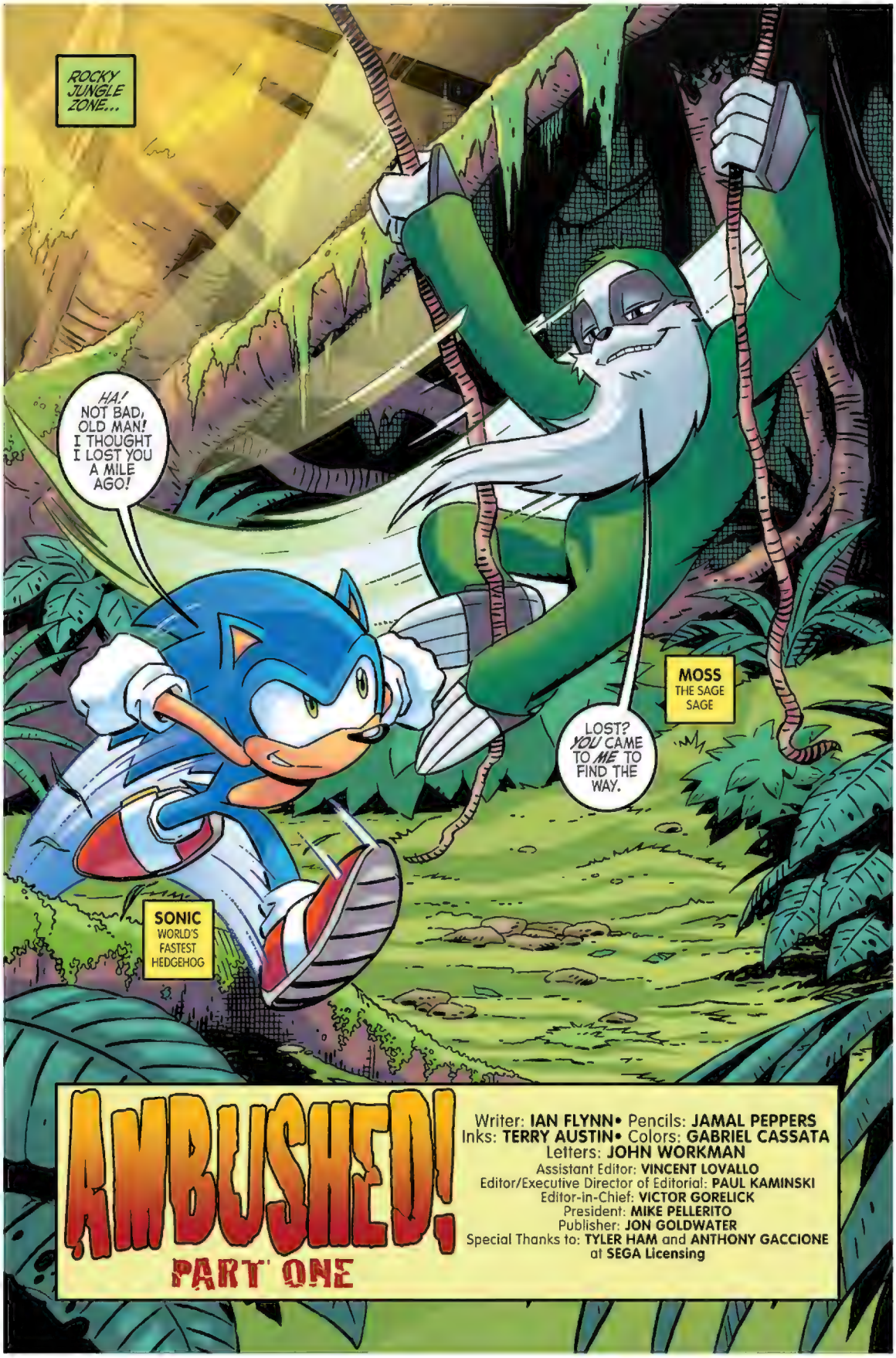

UNH!
Ohhh, HOW I WISH I COULD DO THIS ALL DAY...
...BUT I NEED TO BE PRAGMATIC. THE POWER OF THE MASTER EMERALD SHOULD BE SECURED FIRST.
CYZER, IF YOU'D BE SO KIND?
DARK ARM POWER: LASER!
THAT, AND I WANT SHADOW TO BE THE FIRST TO DIE BY THE POWER OF MY PRECIOUS DARK ARMS.
YOU THERE, HOW DID YOU GET TO THIS FLYING ISLAND?
I-I-I-I TOOK A BOAT!
WHEN THE ISLAND F-F-FELL!*
IT WAS A WHILE AGO!
*SONIC ADVENTURE --THE GAME
USELESS.
YOU! TELL ME HOW YOU GOT HERE, OR I SHOOT HER.
GO AHEAD. I DON'T KNOW HER, AND I GET TO OBSERVE MORE OF YOUR MUTATIONS.
WHAT?!
HAHAHA! THE MASTERS WERE RIGHT! YOUR KIND REALLY IS BEYOND SALVATION!

WAIT!
HURRY UP, OR WE'LL SEE IF THIS POWER SHOOTS THROUGH HER LIMBS OR JUST BLOWS THEM OFF.
WE CAME... VIA TROOP SHUTTLE. WE LANDED...IN LAUNCH BASE ZONE.
I'M NOT FROM AROUND HERE, REMEMBER? I HOPE YOU'RE LEFT-HANDED, LADY!
STOP IT! IT'S ON THE... OTHER SIDE... OF THE ISLAND!
JUST FOLLOW THE RIVER TO THE EAST!
IT'S AT THE FOOTHILLS OF THE MOUNTAINS, BUILT OVER A LAKE!
SEE? WAS THAT SO HARD?
WE HAVE OUR RIDE AND OUR DIRECTIONS, LITTLE ONES! GRAB THE MASTER EMERALD, AND LET'S GO!
STOP! BY THE AUTHORITY OF G.U.N. I COMMAND YOU TO--!
ZOT
BLAM
YOU COMMAND NOTHING, LUNCH BOX.


HE'S GETTING AWAY!
YOU'RE THE SUPER-AGENTS! DO SOMETHING!
I'M TRYING NOT TO BLACK OUT FROM PAIN. OMEGA COULD POP MY SHOULDER BACK IN, BUT--
THE DAMAGE IS SEVERE, BUT LOCALIZED. GIVEN ENOUGH TIME, I CAN REPAIR HIM.
HE MUST ALSO NOT MENACE ME FURTHER.
NO... PROMISES...
RRRGH!
I'M SORRY, BUT I'M NOT A FIGHTER! AND THE MASTER EMERALD...
I KNOW! IT'S IMPORTANT!
ECLIPSE TOOK US OUT LIKE CHUMPS! HE'LL BE OFF THE ISLAND BEFORE WE CAN REGROUP!
AND THE TWO GUYS ON THE ISLAND WHO COULD STOP HIM RIGHT NOW...

"...ARE BUSY BEING THICK-HEADED IDIOTS!"
BACK AT AZURE LAKE ZONE...
SMASH
CRRUMMBLE
SPLASH
SPLOOSH

KNUCKLES AND SHADOW
--CRUSHED? DROWNED? BOTH?!
ECLIPSE AND THE DARK ARMS
--ABOUT TO DEVOUR THE WORLD!!
TEAM DARK
--OUT OF COMMISSION?!
SO NOT THE END!


ROCKY JUNGLE ZONE...
HA! NOT BAD, OLD MAN! I THOUGHT I LOST YOU A MILE AGO!
LOST? YOU CAME TO ME TO FIND THE WAY.
MOSS THE SAGE SAGE
SONIC WORLD'S FASTEST HEDGEHOG
AMBUSHED!
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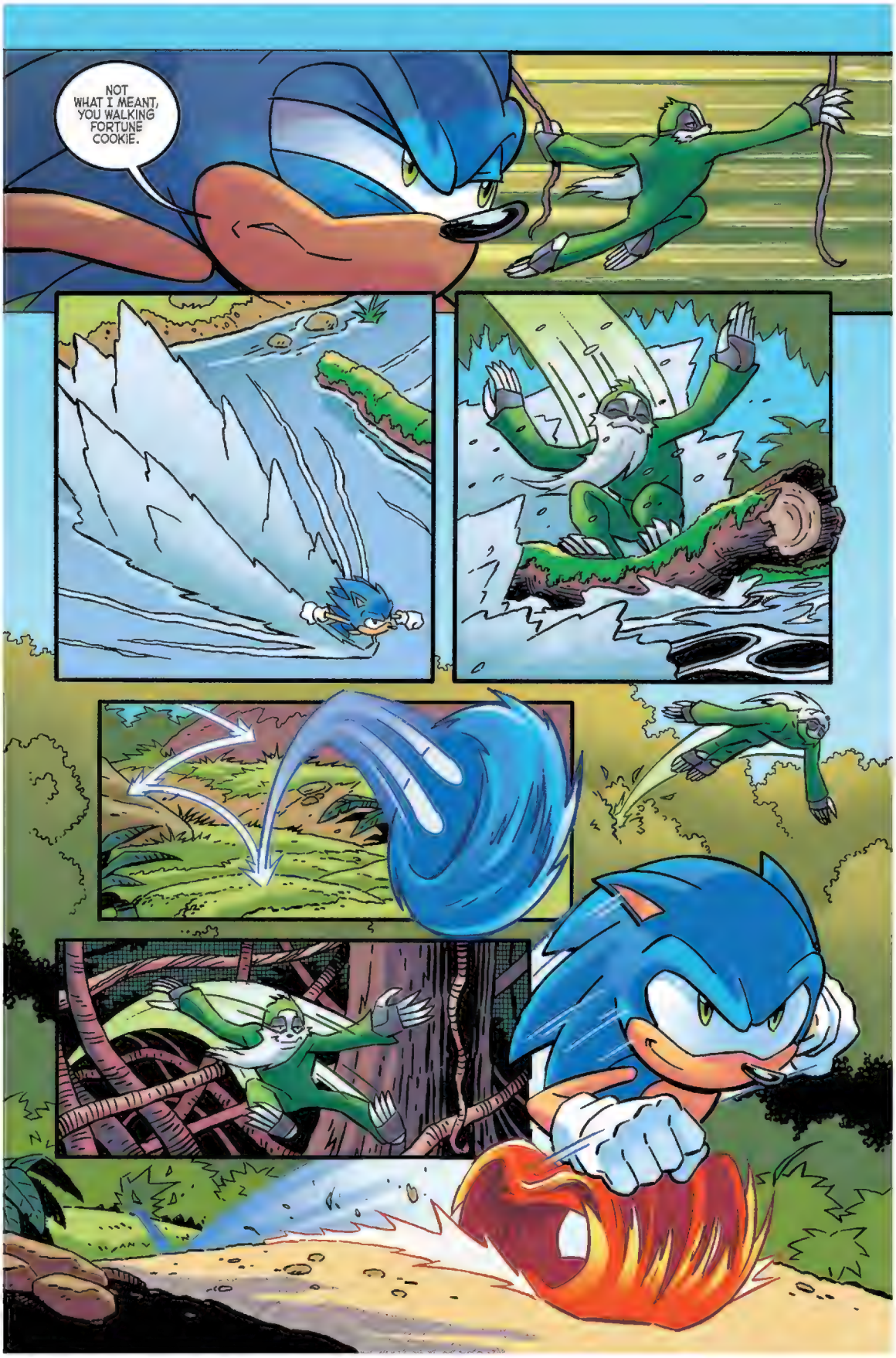
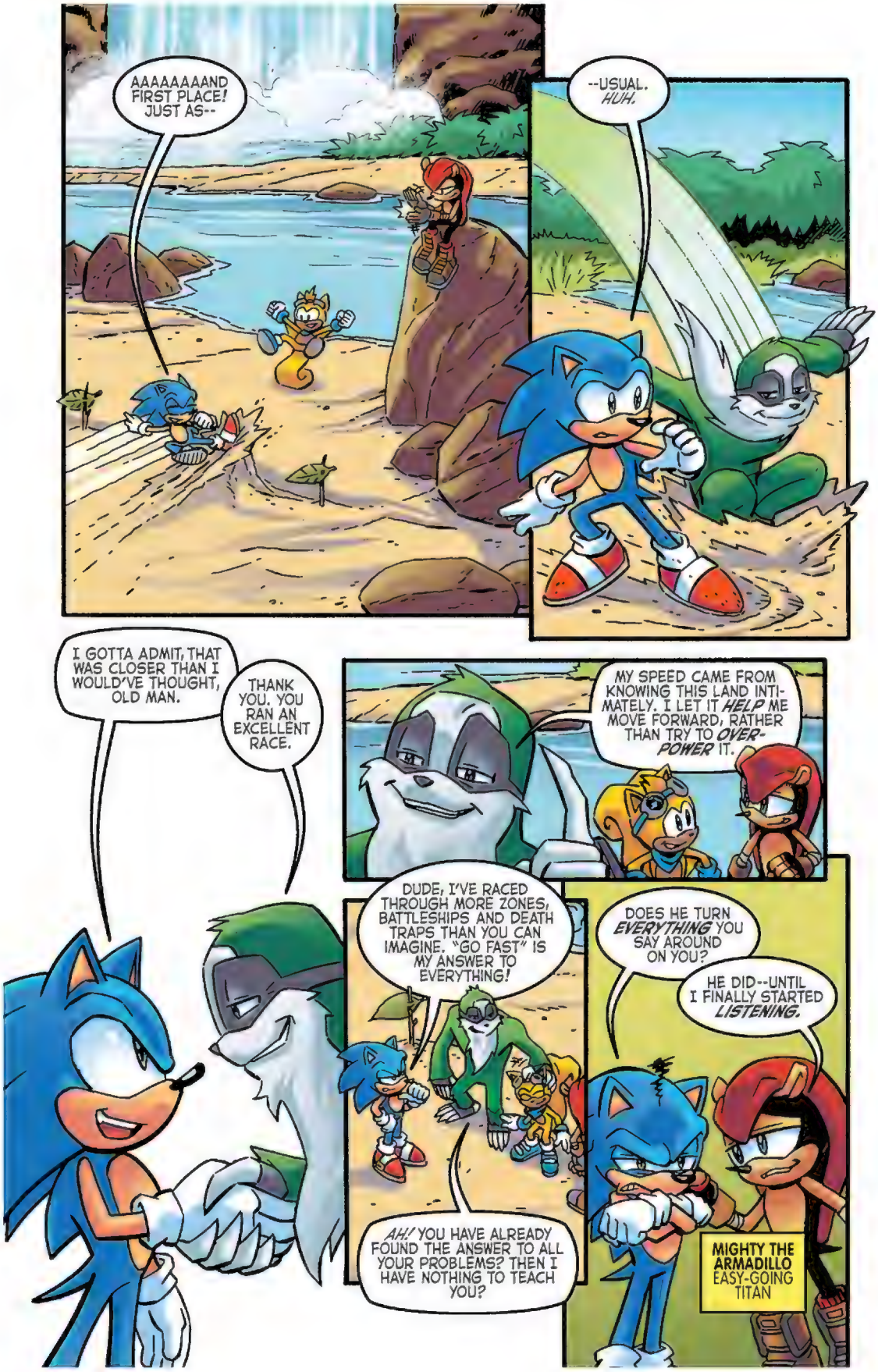
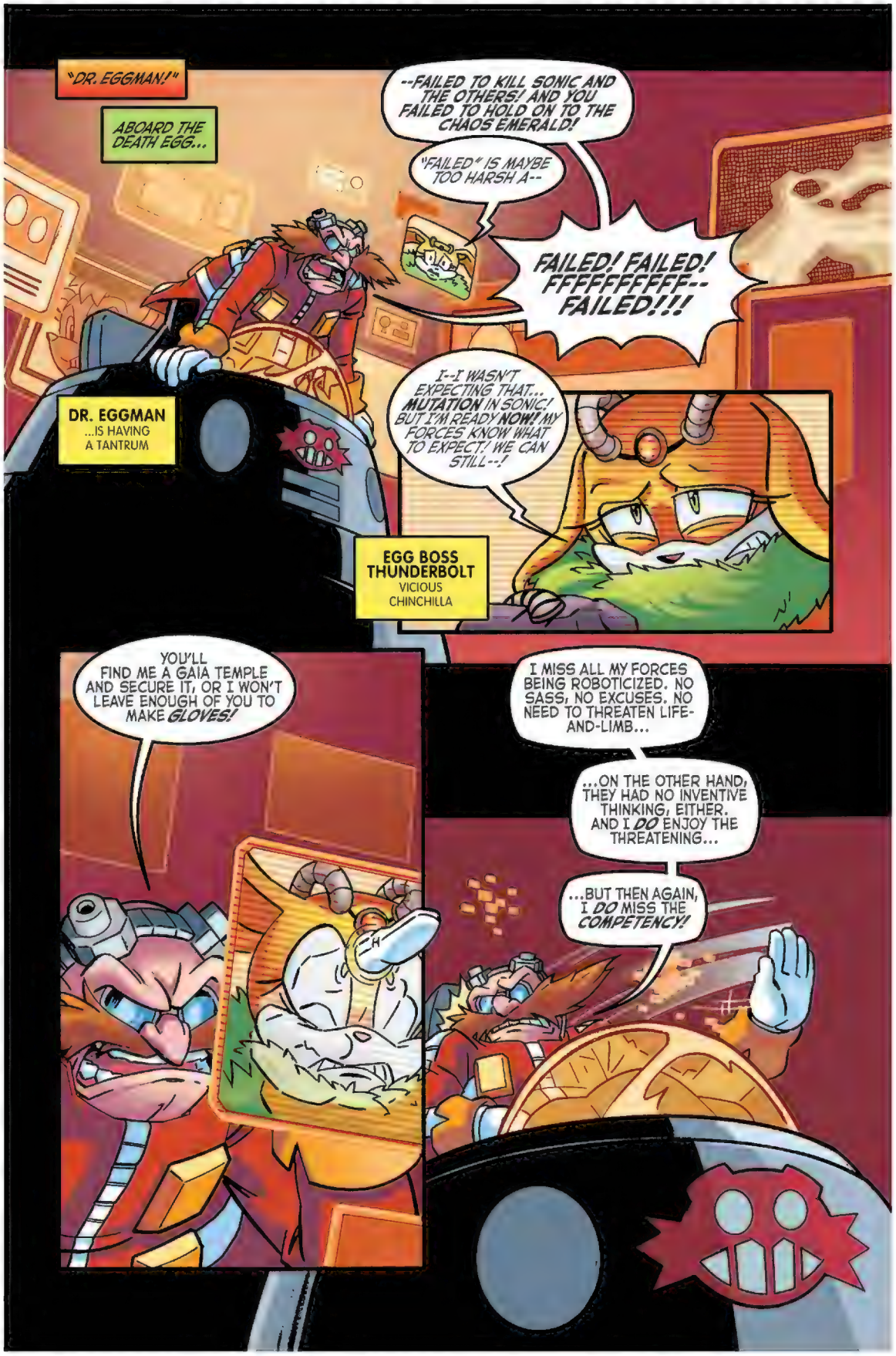
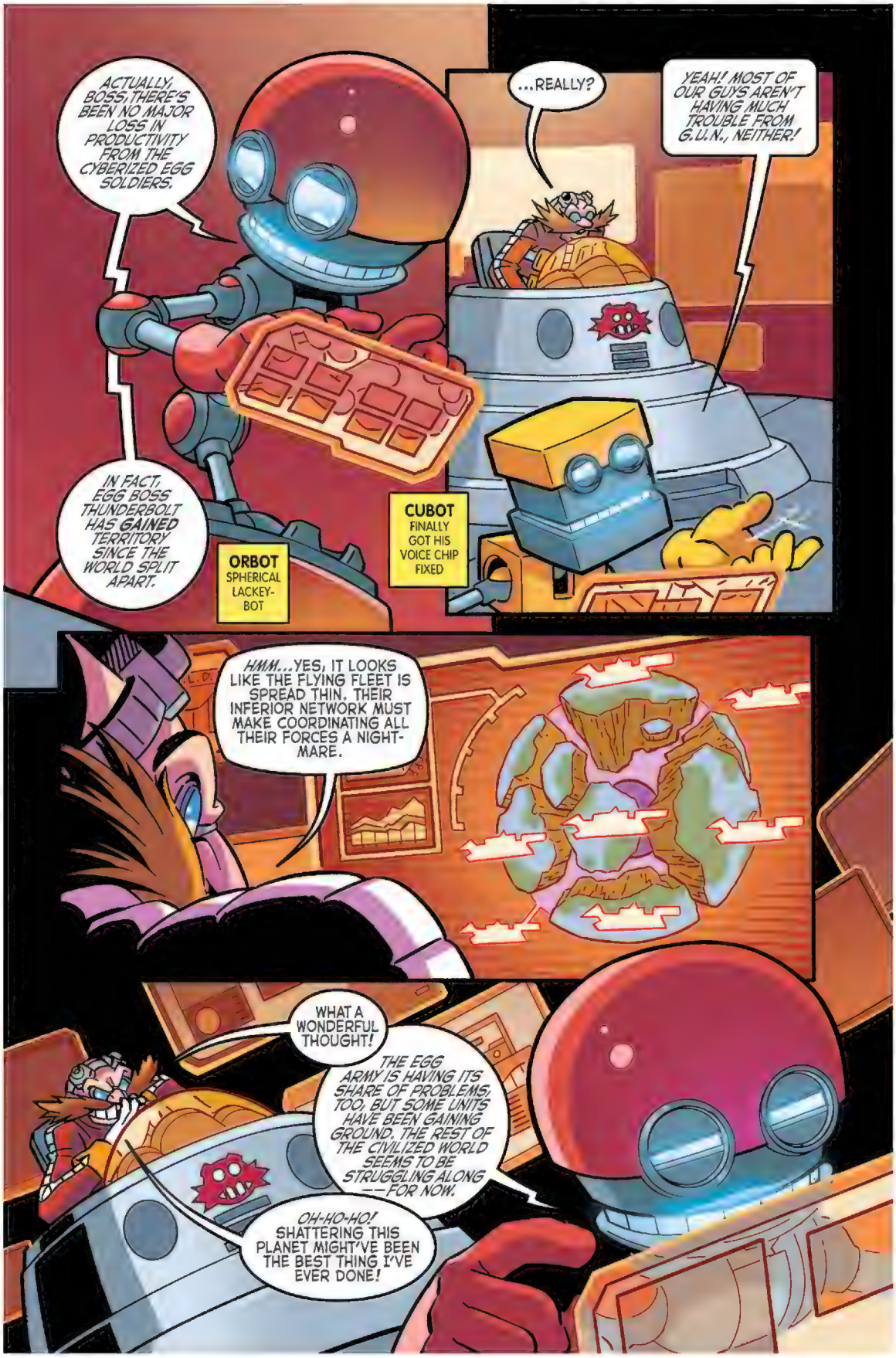
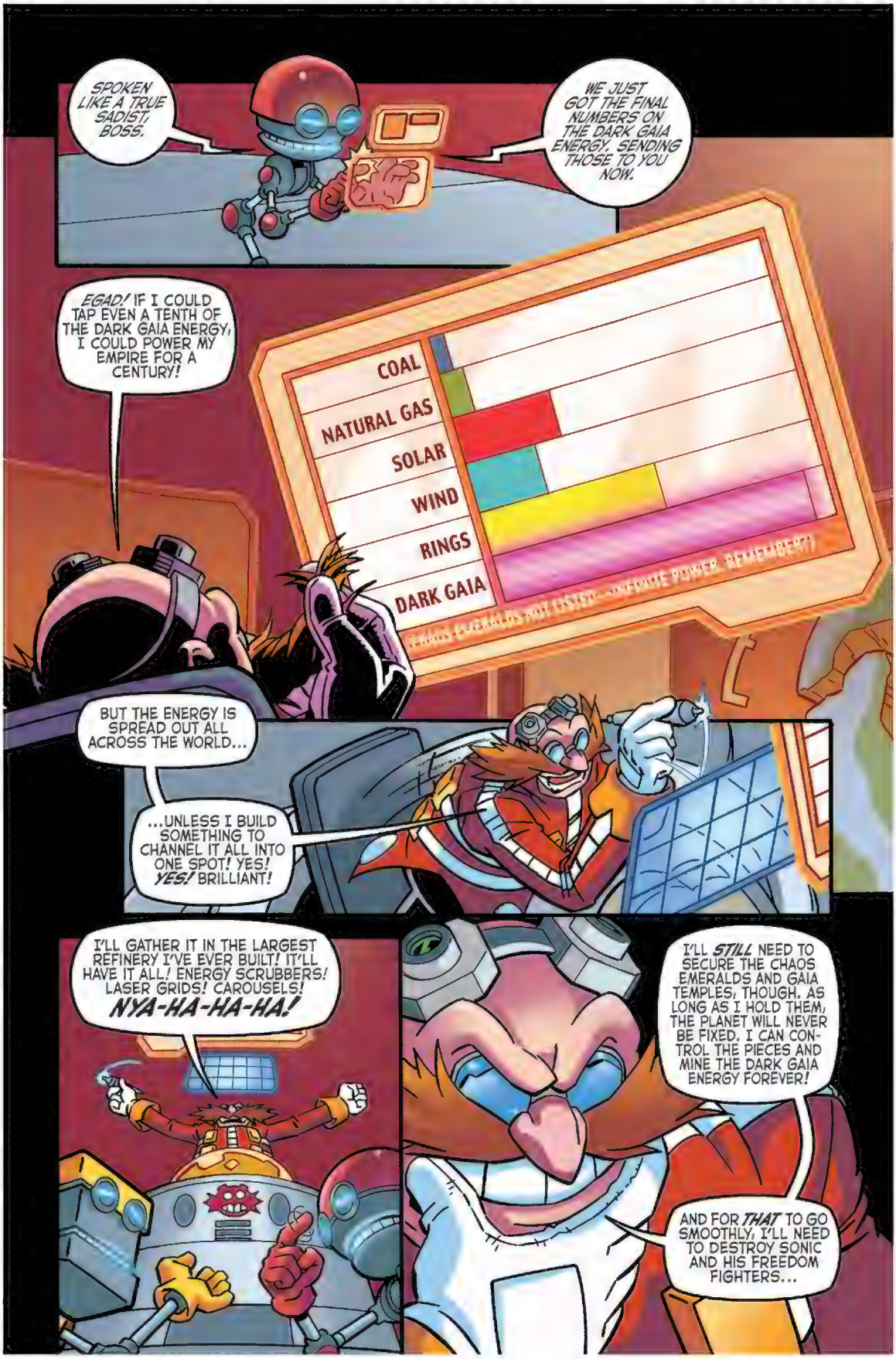

NOT WHAT I MEANT, YOU WALKING FORTUNE COOKIE.

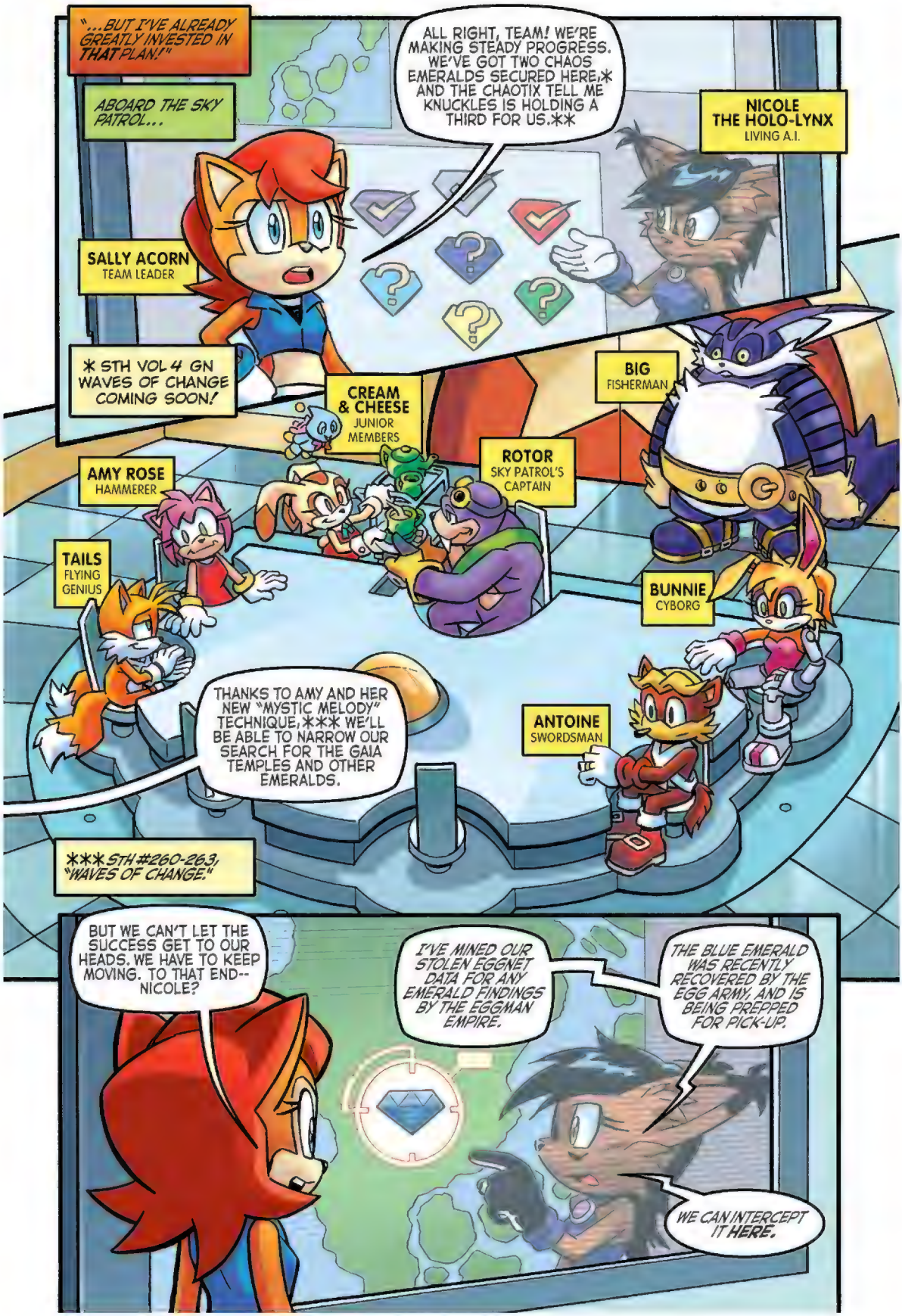

AAAAAAAAND FIRST PLACE! JUST AS--
--USUAL. HUH.
I GOTTA ADMIT, THAT WAS CLOSER THAN I WOULD'VE THOUGHT, OLD MAN.
THANK YOU. YOU RAN AN EXCELLENT RACE.
MY SPEED CAME FROM KNOWING THIS LAND INTIMATELY. I LET IT HELP ME MOVE FORWARD, RATHER THAN TRY TO OVERPOWER IT.
DUDE, I'VE RACED THROUGH MORE ZONES, BATTLESHIPS AND DEATH TRAPS THAN YOU CAN IMAGINE. "GO FAST" IS MY ANSWER TO EVERYTHING!
AH! YOU HAVE ALREADY FOUND THE ANSWER TO ALL YOUR PROBLEMS? THEN I HAVE NOTHING TO TEACH YOU?
DOES HE TURN EVERYTHING YOU SAY AROUND ON YOU?
HE DID--UNTIL I FINALLY STARTED LISTENING.
MIGHTY THE ARMADILLO
EASY-GOING TITAN

MASTER MOSS IS *REALLY* SMART, SONIC! HE TAUGHT MIGHTY CONTROL, AND ME TO BE, WELL...
MORE PROACTIVE.
HAHA ...I'M WORKING ON IT.
RAY THE FLYING SQUIRREL
MIGHTY'S PROTÉGÉ
I *KNOW* I NEED HELP HANDLING THIS...TRANSFORMATION THING. I DON'T WANT TO RISK LOSING CONTROL AGAIN AND HURTING MY FRIENDS.
BUT I *KNOW* HOW I DEAL WITH STUFF, AND NO AMOUNT OF ZEN-TALK IS GOING TO HELP ME!
YOU ARE A FREE SPIRIT, CHILD. FREE AS THE WIND. YOU RESIST "CONTROL" TO YOUR VERY CORE.
WHAT YOU MUST LEARN IS *ACCEPTANCE.*
BESIDES, ALL THIS TALK ABOUT "CONTROLLING" YOU? YOU KNOW WHO *WOULD* SAY THAT?
DON'T YOU EVEN GO THERE, DUDE.


"DR. EGGMAN!"
ABOARD THE DEATH EGG...
--FAILED TO KILL SONIC AND THE OTHERS! AND YOU FAILED TO HOLD ON TO THE CHAOS EMERALD!
"FAILED" IS MAYBE TOO HARSH A--
FAILED! FAILED! FFFFFFFFFF-- FAILED!!!
DR. EGGMAN ...IS HAVING A TANTRUM
I--I WASN'T EXPECTING THAT... MUTATION IN SONIC! BUT I'M READY NOW! MY FORCES KNOW WHAT TO EXPECT! WE CAN STILL--!
EGG BOSS THUNDERBOLT VICIOUS CHINCHILLA
YOU'LL FIND ME A GAIA TEMPLE AND SECURE IT, OR I WON'T LEAVE ENOUGH OF YOU TO MAKE GLOVES!
I MISS ALL MY FORCES BEING ROBOTICIZED. NO SASS, NO EXCUSES. NO NEED TO THREATEN LIFE-AND-LIMB...
...ON THE OTHER HAND, THEY HAD NO INVENTIVE THINKING, EITHER. AND I DO ENJOY THE THREATENING...
...BUT THEN AGAIN, I DO MISS THE COMPETENCY!


ACTUALLY, BOSS, THERE'S BEEN NO MAJOR LOSS IN PRODUCTIVITY FROM THE CYBERIZED EGG SOLDIERS.
IN FACT, EGG BOSS THUNDERBOLT HAS GAINED TERRITORY SINCE THE WORLD SPLIT APART.
ORBOT SPHERICAL LACKEY-BOT
...REALLY?
YEAH! MOST OF OUR GUYS AREN'T HAVING MUCH TROUBLE FROM G.U.N., NEITHER!
CUBOT FINALLY GOT HIS VOICE CHIP FIXED
HMM...YES, IT LOOKS LIKE THE FLYING FLEET IS SPREAD THIN. THEIR INFERIOR NETWORK MUST MAKE COORDINATING ALL THEIR FORCES A NIGHT-MARE.
WHAT A WONDERFUL THOUGHT!
THE EGG ARMY IS HAVING ITS SHARE OF PROBLEMS, TOO, BUT SOME UNITS HAVE BEEN GAINING GROUND. THE REST OF THE CIVILIZED WORLD SEEMS TO BE STRUGGLING ALONG --FOR NOW.
OH-HO-HO! SHATTERING THIS PLANET MIGHT'VE BEEN THE BEST THING I'VE EVER DONE!


SPOKEN LIKE A TRUE SADIST, BOSS.
WE JUST GOT THE FINAL NUMBERS ON THE DARK GAIA ENERGY. SENDING THOSE TO YOU NOW.
EGAD! IF I COULD TAP EVEN A TENTH OF THE DARK GAIA ENERGY, I COULD POWER MY EMPIRE FOR A CENTURY!
COAL
NATURAL GAS
SOLAR
WIND
RINGS
DARK GAIA
BUT THE ENERGY IS SPREAD OUT ALL ACROSS THE WORLD...
...UNLESS I BUILD SOMETHING TO CHANNEL IT ALL INTO ONE SPOT! YES! YES! BRILLIANT!
I'LL GATHER IT IN THE LARGEST REFINERY I'VE EVER BUILT! IT'LL HAVE IT ALL! ENERGY SCRUBBERS! LASER GRIDS! CAROUSELS! NYA-HA-HA-HA!
I'LL STILL NEED TO SECURE THE CHAOS EMERALDS AND GAIA TEMPLES, THOUGH. AS LONG AS I HOLD THEM, THE PLANET WILL NEVER BE FIXED. I CAN CONTROL THE PIECES AND MINE THE DARK GAIA ENERGY FOREVER!
AND FOR THAT TO GO SMOOTHLY, I'LL NEED TO DESTROY SONIC AND HIS FREEDOM FIGHTERS...

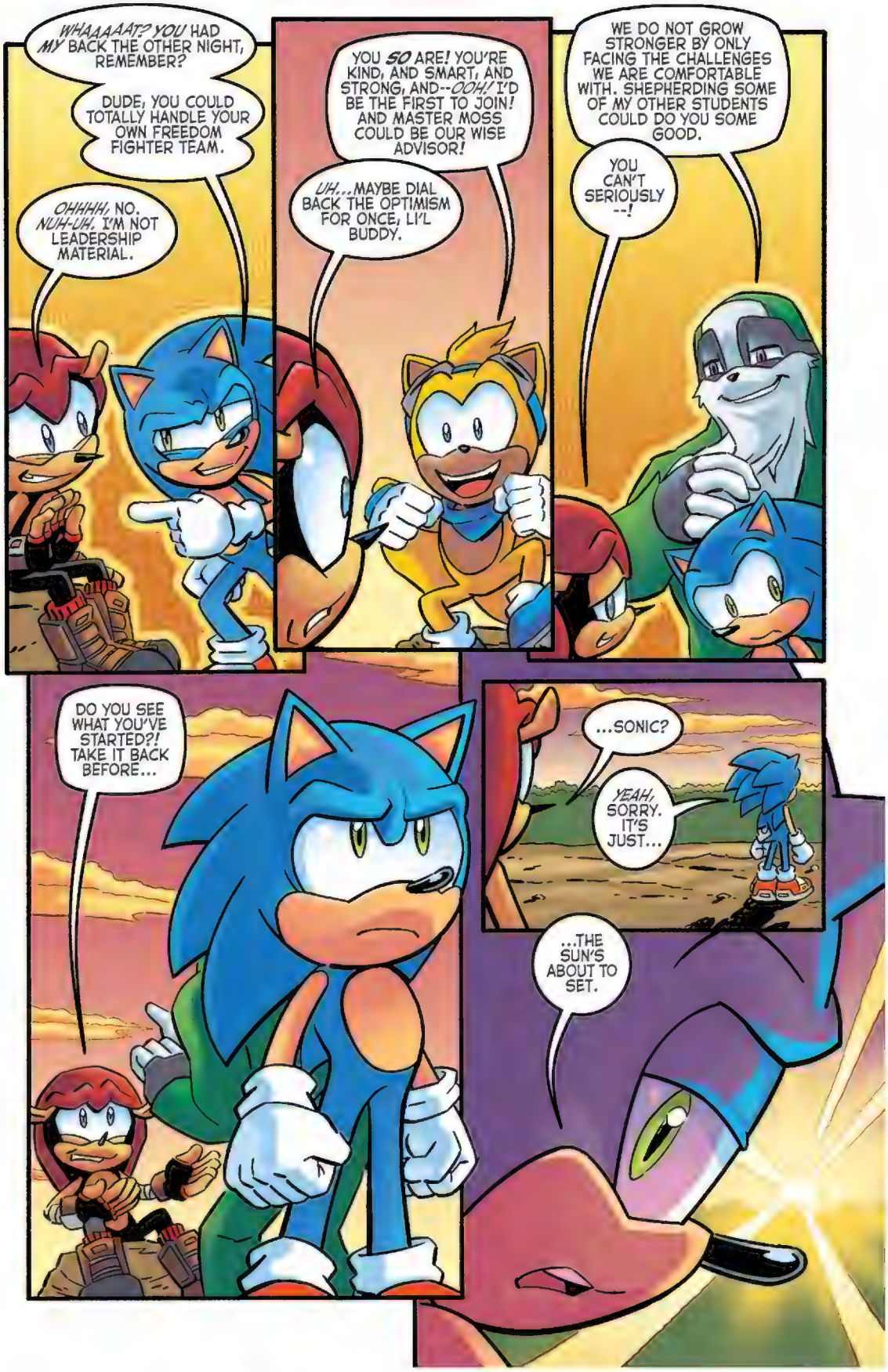

"...BUT I'VE ALREADY GREATLY INVESTED IN THAT PLAN!"
ABOARD THE SKY PATROL...
ALL RIGHT, TEAM! WE'RE MAKING STEADY PROGRESS. WE'VE GOT TWO CHAOS EMERALDS SECURED HERE,* AND THE CHAOTIX TELL ME KNUCKLES IS HOLDING A THIRD FOR US.**
NICOLE THE HOLO-LYNX LIVING A.I.
SALLY ACORN TEAM LEADER
* STH VOL 4 GN WAVES OF CHANGE COMING SOON!
CREAM & CHEESE JUNIOR MEMBERS
BIG FISHERMAN
ROTOR SKY PATROL'S CAPTAIN
AMY ROSE HAMMERER
TAILS FLYING GENIUS
BUNNIE CYBORG
ANTOINE SWORDSMAN
THANKS TO AMY AND HER NEW "MYSTIC MELODY" TECHNIQUE,*** WE'LL BE ABLE TO NARROW OUR SEARCH FOR THE GAIA TEMPLES AND OTHER EMERALDS.
*** STH #260-263, "WAVES OF CHANGE."
BUT WE CAN'T LET THE SUCCESS GET TO OUR HEADS. WE HAVE TO KEEP MOVING. TO THAT END--NICOLE?
I'VE MINED OUR STOLEN EGGNET DATA FOR ANY EMERALD FINDINGS BY THE EGGMAN EMPIRE.
THE BLUE EMERALD WAS RECENTLY RECOVERED BY THE EGG ARMY, AND IS BEING PREPPED FOR PICK-UP.
WE CAN INTERCEPT IT HERE.

BON! AND EET IS SO CLOSE TO ZE LAST EGG ARMY BASE WE RAIDED.
YES...IT'S ALMOST TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE. WE BARELY ESCAPED THUNDERBOLT'S TRAP THE OTHER DAY...*
*STH#264-265.
AND EGGMAN LOST ANOTHER OF HIS PRECIOUS E-100 ROBOTS IN THE PROCESS. AT MOST, I'D EXPECT A SUPER BADNIK GUARDING THE EMERALD, AND WE CAN HANDLE THAT.
STILL... SHOULDN'T WE WAIT FOR SONIC TO GET BACK FIRST?
I WANT HIM BACK, TOO--AND SOON. BUT HE NEEDS TO ...GET WELL FIRST.
WE'RE HIS FRIENDS. WE CAN HELP HIM.
THIS COULD HELP HIM, TOO. IF THE CHAOS EMERALDS CAN FIX THE WHOLE DURN PLANET, SURE TO GOODNESS THEY CAN FIX WHATEVER'S AILIN' SONIC.

WHETHER IT'S A *TRAP,* OR JUST SLOPPINESS ON HIS PART, WE CAN'T ALLOW EGGMAN A CHANCE TO MOVE THE BLUE EMERALD TO A MORE SECURE LOCATION.
THIS COULD BE DANGEROUS, SO WE'LL PUT IT TO A VOTE. ALL IN FAVOR OF GOING AFTER THE--
--HAHA, OKAY, THEN!
ANTOINE AND BUNNIE--YOU'RE WITH ME ON TEAM FREEDOM. WE'LL GO IN QUIET, BUT BE PREPARED FOR THINGS TO GET HEATED.
YOU THREE ARE TEAM FIGHTERS AND OUR BACK-UP. NICOLE WILL KEEP AN EYE ON THE SCANNERS.
ARE YOU *SURE YOU* WANT TO GO? THE TWO OF US GOT ZAPPED PRETTY BAD IN THAT TRAP.
I'M SURE.
WHAT ABOUT CHEESE AND I? AND MR. BIG?
YOU THREE STAY UP WHERE IT'S SAFE. YOU'VE COME A LONG WAY...

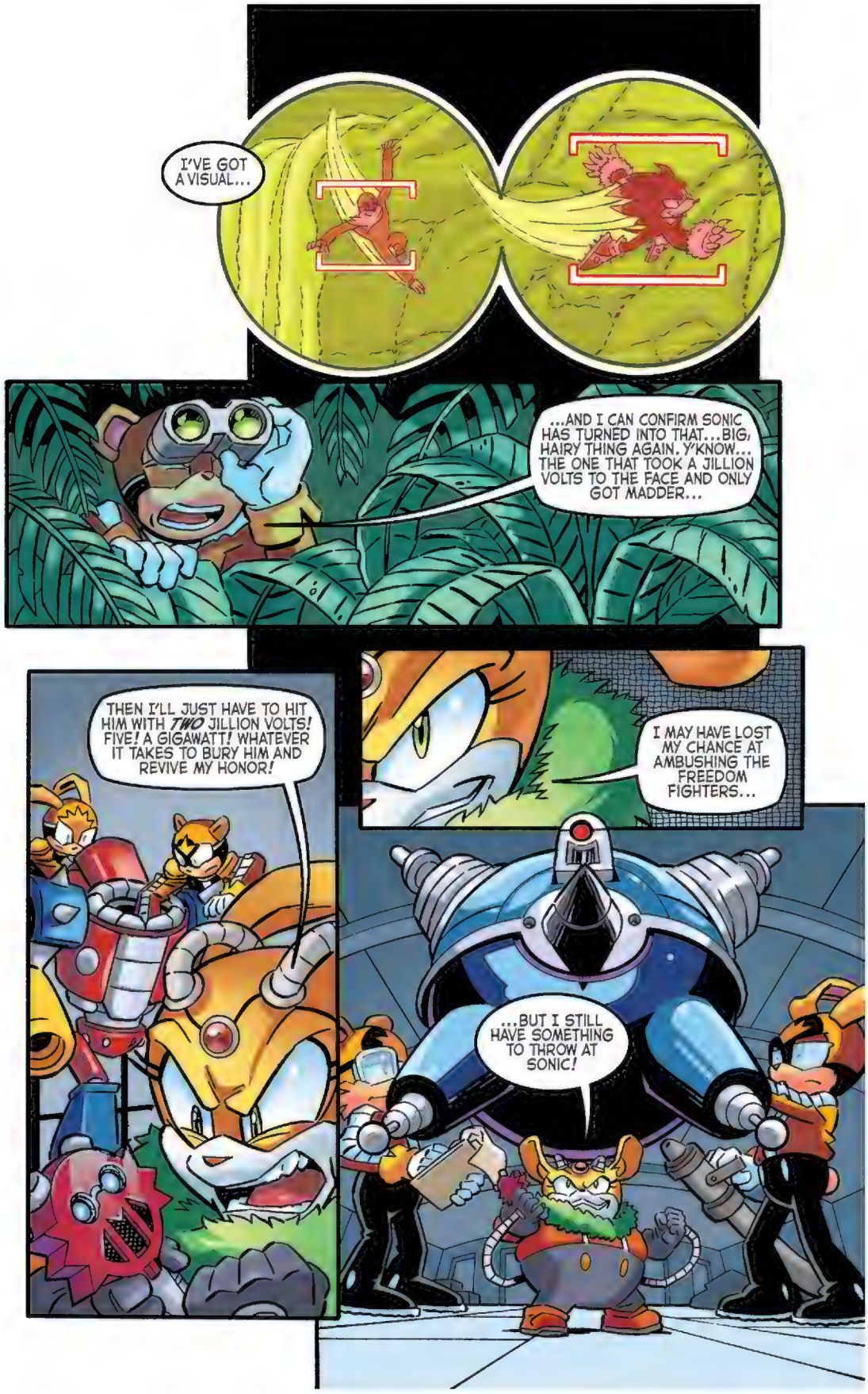
"...BUT YOU NEED MORE TRAINING BEFORE I LET YOU DO SOMETHING THIS DANGEROUS."
ROCKY JUNGLE ZONE...
WHOOSH!
CREEECK
F-THOOM!

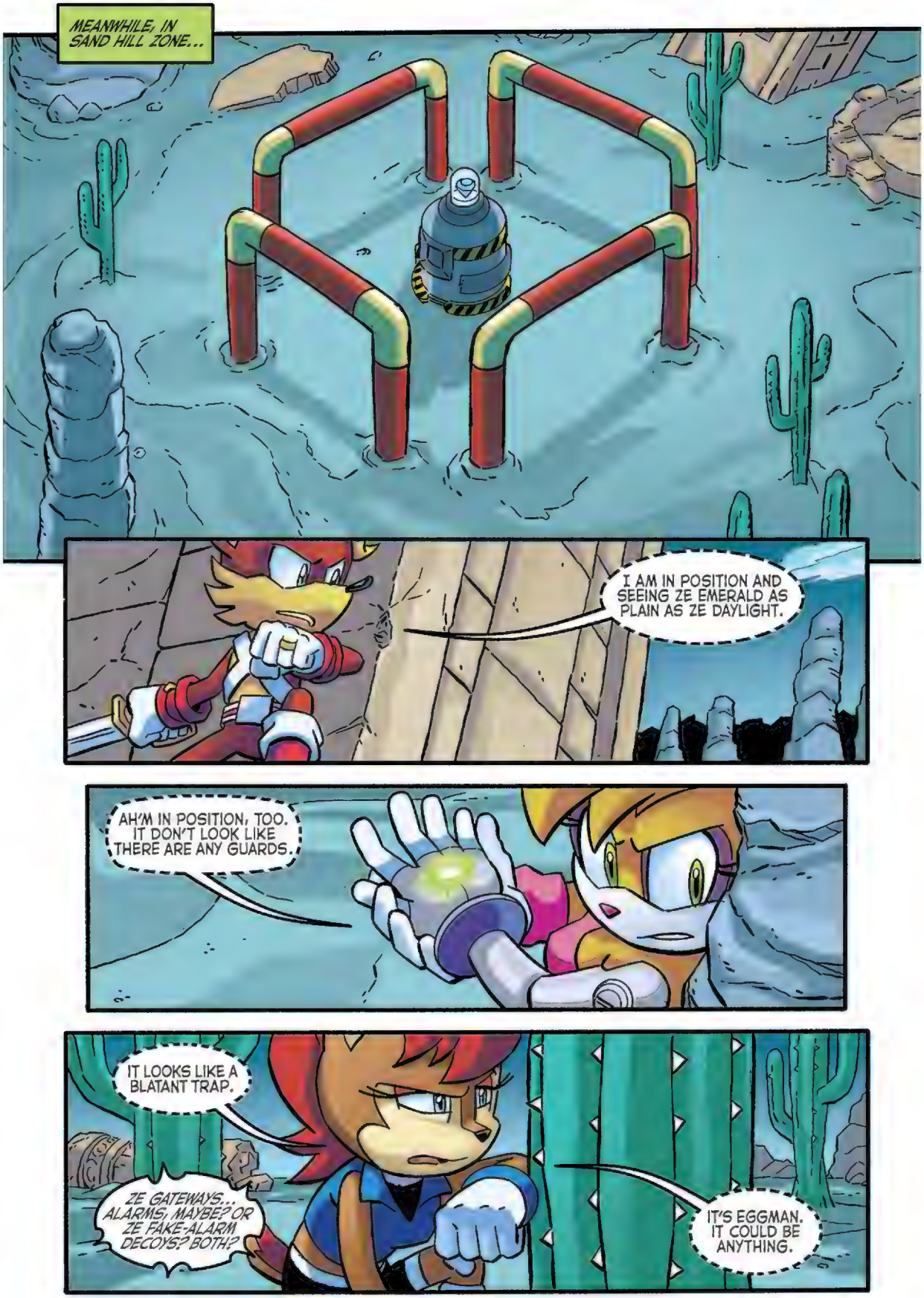
HOW WAS THAT ?
MOST IMPRESSIVE, YOU HAVE ALREADY ADAPTED WELL TO THE PHILOSOPHY OF "PASSIVE PROGRESSION."
WOW! SONIC'S FAST AT EVERYTHING, HUH?
UH-HUH, AND SO MODEST ABOUT IT.
SORRY? WHAT WAS THAT? "I'M THE BEST AT EVERYTHING EVER"?
SAY AGAIN? I COULDN'T HEAR YOU OVER YOUR EGO!
SERIOUSLY, THO', I'M PROUD OF YOU, BIG BLUE. AND HUMBLED.
YOU INSPIRED ME TO GET MY ACT TOGETHER BACK IN THE DAY, AND YOU'VE SHOWN ME I'VE GOT A LONG WAY TO GO NOW.
-RESPECT-


WHAAAAAT? YOU HAD MY BACK THE OTHER NIGHT, REMEMBER?
DUDE, YOU COULD TOTALLY HANDLE YOUR OWN FREEDOM FIGHTER TEAM.
OHHHH, NO. NUH-UH. I'M NOT LEADERSHIP MATERIAL.
YOU SO ARE! YOU'RE KIND, AND SMART, AND STRONG, AND--OOH! I'D BE THE FIRST TO JOIN! AND MASTER MOSS COULD BE OUR WISE ADVISOR!
UH...MAYBE DIAL BACK THE OPTIMISM FOR ONCE, LI'L BUDDY.
WE DO NOT GROW STRONGER BY ONLY FACING THE CHALLENGES WE ARE COMFORTABLE WITH. SHEPHERDING SOME OF MY OTHER STUDENTS COULD DO YOU SOME GOOD.
YOU CAN'T SERIOUSLY --!
DO YOU SEE WHAT YOU'VE STARTED?! TAKE IT BACK BEFORE...
...SONIC?
YEAH, SORRY. IT'S JUST...
...THE SUN'S ABOUT TO SET.

BREATHE. THIS IS WHAT YOU HAVE BEEN TRAINING TOWARDS. FACE IT WITH THE SAME CONFIDENCE AS YOU DID THE JUNGLE AND THE WATERFALL.
THOSE DIDN'T HAVE CLAWS AND TEETH, AND THEY WEREN'T COMING OUT OF ME.
YOU CAN DO THIS, SONIC! WE KNOW YOU CAN!
AND IF YOU SLIP, I'VE GOT YOUR BACK.
...RIGHT. THANKS, GUYS.
DO NOT FIGHT IT--FOR YOU CANNOT FIGHT YOURSELF. IT IS NOT A BEAST, FOR IT IS YOU. IF YOU ARE A HERO, THEN IT WILL BE A HERO AS WELL.

HOW YOU FEELIN'?
I FEEL... GOOD.
YOU CAN RELAX--I THINK I'VE GOT THIS.
SO... WHAT'S IT LIKE?
WEIRD! FANGS AND CLAWS ASIDE--IT'S LIKE ALL MY SPEED GOT TURNED INTO MUSCLE, AND ...AND...
ARRROOOOOOO!
HEY, OLD MAN! CARE FOR A REMATCH OF THAT RACE?
THAT SOUNDS DELIGHTFUL.


I'VE GOT A VISUAL...
...AND I CAN CONFIRM SONIC HAS TURNED INTO THAT...BIG, HAIRY THING AGAIN. Y'KNOW... THE ONE THAT TOOK A JILLION VOLTS TO THE FACE AND ONLY GOT MADDER...
THEN I'LL JUST HAVE TO HIT HIM WITH *TWO* JILLION VOLTS! FIVE! A GIGAWATT! WHATEVER IT TAKES TO BURY HIM AND REVIVE MY HONOR!
I MAY HAVE LOST MY CHANCE AT AMBUSHING THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS...
...BUT I STILL HAVE SOMETHING TO THROW AT SONIC!


MEANWHILE, IN SAND HILL ZONE...
I AM IN POSITION AND SEEING ZE EMERALD AS PLAIN AS ZE DAYLIGHT.
AH'M IN POSITION, TOO. IT DON'T LOOK LIKE THERE ARE ANY GUARDS.
IT LOOKS LIKE A BLATANT TRAP.
ZE GATEWAYS... ALARMS, MAYBE? OR ZE FAKE-ALARM DECOYS? BOTH?
IT'S EGGMAN. IT COULD BE ANYTHING.

IT'S YOUR CALL, SALLY. BUT WE HAVE NO IDEA WHEN WE'LL GET ANOTHER SHOT AT THIS.
I KNOW...
BUNNIE, FLY TO THE TOP OF THAT OUTCROPPING AND COVER US. ANTOINE, WE'RE APPROACHING WITH CAUTION.
KEEP AN EYE ON MY BACK, AND I'LL WATCH YOURS.
OUI, MA PRINCESS.
BUNNIE... ANYTHING?

AH ONLY SEE YOU TWO AND LOTS O' SAND.
SHRIEEEEEEEEEEK
OH, MAH STARS--!
E-108
CALL SIGN: IOTA
BUNNIE!
Boom!
VREEEEEEEE
E-109
CALL SIGN: KAPPA
VREEEEEEEEEEEEEEE
IT WAS ANOTHER TRAP! AND I LED US STRAIGHT INTO IT--
FALL BACK TO THE SKY PATROL! WE CAN'T--!

Boom!
E-110
CALL SIGN:
LAMBDA
THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS--
AT THE MERCY OF THREE
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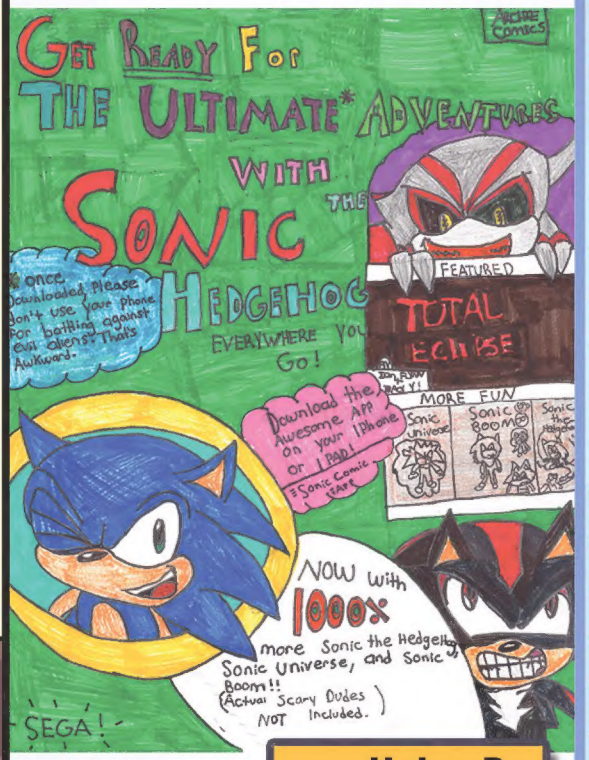

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